

5TH CHRISTCHURCH (HIGHCLIFFE) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 302216

Details

Other names 5TH CHRISTCHURCH SCOUT GROUP

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1967-09-28

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ACHIEVING THEIR FULL PHYSICAL,INTELLECTUAL,SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL POTENTIALS,AS INDIVIDUALS,AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND AS MEMBERS OF THEIR LOCAL,NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES

Activities: The 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group provides Scouting to young people aged between 4 and 14 years of age. Activities takes place from the headquarters in Chewton Common Road Highcliffe. Young people take part in activities based on the section they belong to and their age. The sections within the Group are Squirrel Dray, Beaver Colony, Cub Pack and Scout Troop.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** CHRISTCHURCH
- Dorset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£41,001	£46,583	-	-
2023-12-31	£49,852	£46,062	-	-
2022-12-31	£36,620	£36,772	-	-
2021-12-31	£37,924	£31,289	-	-
2020-12-31	£50,764	£34,237	-	-

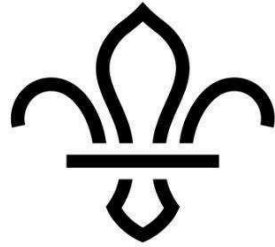
Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Annabel Joan Neal	Chair	2024-06-14
Andrew James Hewitt		2023-07-16
Claire Sonia Dooks		2025-09-01
Courtney Fereday		2020-01-01
Graham Budd		2022-11-01
Keryn Hallett		2022-09-01
Rebecca Sophie Stevens		2025-09-01
Stephanie Tomkinson		2023-05-27

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**5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Scout Council**

**Trustees' Annual Reports and Statements of Accounts Year
Ending 31 December 2024**

Trustee's Annual Report

For period of 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name	5 th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Registered Charity Number	302216
Charity Registered address	Scout Hit, Chewton Common Road, Highcliffe, Dorset, BH23 5LZ

Trustee(s)

Name	Role	Date of appointment
Annabel Neal	Chair	14 th June 2024
Charlotte Smith	Trustee	30 October 2023
Andrew James Hewitt	Trustee	16 July 2023
Stephanie Tomkinson	Trustee	27 May 2023
Graham Budd	Trustee	01 November 2022
Keryn Hallett	Trustee	01 September 2022
Courtney Fereday	Trustee	01 January 2020

Name	Role	Date of appointment
Jamie Grant	Trustee	01 January 2020

Structure, governance, and management

Highcliffe Scout group is 1 of 8 groups that belong to the district of Christchurch, the Group's governing documents are those of The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

The Group has adopted the constitution set out in the Scouts Policy, Organisation and Rules and is managed by the Trustee Board, members of which are Trustees of the Charity. Trustee selection methods - The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

The Trustee Board exists so that the Trustees work together to make sure Scouting is run safely and legally within the Group. The Trustee Board supports the other volunteers run the Scout Programme that gives young people skills for life.

The 5th Christchurch {Highcliffe} Scout Group provides Scouting to young people aged between 4 and 14 ½ years of age and through a Partnership agreement with Christchurch District also provide scouting to young people aged between 13 ½ and 18 years of age. Activities take place from the headquarters in Chewton Common Road Highcliffe. Young people take part in activities based on the section they belong to and their age. The Group currently have 4 sections within the Group 1 Squirrel Drey, 1 Beaver Colony, 1 Cub Pack, 1 Scout Troop. The group are also in partnership with the District Explorer unit {Nyeri}.

Objectives

Our objective is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities

The section reports at the end of this Annual Report shows some of the activities undertaken by the young people involved in scouting in Highcliffe.

Achievements

2024 was the Groups Centenary year, having operated continuously since 1924. The Group celebrated with an open day; it's first family camp for several decades and a trip to Brownsea Island where all the sections renewed their vows and discovered the birthplace of scouting.

2024 has seen a wide range of activities with all sections continuing to offer a wide range of activities including nights away to the young people in their sections.

Squirrels took awarded 211 badges and 11 Chief Scout Acorn Awards.

In Beavers 7 youngsters completed their Bronze Chief Scouts Award

Cubs competed in the District scrap store challenge competition, with a winning team and the 5-a-side football competition.

Scouts took place in the annual Emlyn (scout skills) competition, supported the Highcliffe Cliff Top Music festival and the New Forest Marathon

Explorers have had a change in leadership and are continuing to build a comprehensive program of activities with a focus on the higher scouting awards, with two explorers achieving the Chief Scouts Platinum award and three completing four Young Leader missions.

Further details of the section activities are appended to the Report

Finance

As per the groups accounts (attached) Highcliffe Scout Group are in a good financial position. Income was outstripped by expenditure this year which was caused by additional spending on the Centenary celebrations and a significant piece of maintenance with the refurbishment of the halls wooden floor. Cub expenditure was also high as they caught up with submitting receipts for previous years expenditure and undertook a great Christmas project. Subscription income is up very slightly on 2023. The group are in a fortunate position to have sufficient funds in reserves to continue scouting even if the current economic environment deteriorates and at a time when we are forecasting expenditure to rise quicker than income. Subscription rates have not risen for a number of years and were reviewed in 2025 with an increase to £17.50 a month. The Trustee Board have taken the decision to draw down on some of these reserves in 2024 rather than add further financial pressure to our families and have continued to hold our subscriptions as they were prior to the Covid Pandemic.

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
 Receipts for year ending
 31st December 2024

	2024	2023
Receipts		
Membership Fees	15,102.83	14,820.00
Membership Fees - Nyeri	999.00	803.00
	<u>16,101.83</u>	<u>15,623.00</u>
Bank Interest		
	104.13	67.92
	<u>104.13</u>	<u>67.92</u>
Income		
Hall Hire	0.00	0.00
Nyeri Rent	0.00	0.00
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Grants and donations		
Government Covid Grants	0.00	0.00
Donation	281.50	413.80
Gift Aid	0.00	2,956.89
	<u>281.50</u>	<u>3,370.69</u>
Activities		
Events	195.15	217.90
Centenary Camp	4,435.85	0.00
Events Squirrels	355.00	581.00
Events - Beavers	495.00	400.00
Events - Cubs	1,513.00	560.00
Events - Explorers	0.00	135.00
Events - Scouts	1,991.85	2,385.00
	<u>8,985.85</u>	<u>3,480.00</u>
Fundraising		
Plant Sale	15,010.51	15,571.80
Fundraising other	0.00	0.00
	<u>15,010.51</u>	<u>15,571.80</u>
Other Income		
Corrections	289.86	9,635.16
Broadband DD Refund	21.86	0.00
Car Project	100.00	1,285.06
Brand Uniform	104.66	18.50
	<u>516.38</u>	<u>10,938.72</u>
Total receipts for year	<u>41,000.20</u>	<u>49,851.03</u>

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
 Payments for year ending
 31st December 2024

Payments	20.24	2023
Premises		
Rent	0.00	0.00
Rates	0.00	73.72
Utilities	1,706.80	2,742.94
Waste Collections	549.69	555.57
Broadband	486.41	387.36
Insurance	3,601.06	1,912.86
Contents insurance	0.00	475.60
Occasional helper Insurance	0.00	640.40
CCTV Cameras	222.94	119.76
Venue Maintenance	1,790.66	1,282.95
	8,357.56	8,191.16

Activities		
Events	419.36	1,209.47
Events - Beavers	138.88	431.22
Events - Cubs	778.58	576.65
Events - Explorers	0.00	0.00
Events - Scouts	1,318.79	2,721.12
Events - Squirrels	401.10	816.50
Meetings	0.00	10.40
Meetings - Beavers	1,106.65	662.41
Meetings - Cubs	2,535.79	777.63
Meetings - Explorers	0.00	6.78
Meetings - Scouts	724.35	1,105.77
Meetings - Squirrels	809.52	819.20
Centenary Camp	8,659.31	0.00
District D of E Support	123.25	0.00
Car Project	0.00	0.00
	17,015.58	9,137.15

Fundraising		
Plant Sale	9,581.78	9,562.16
	9,581.78	9,562.16

Administration Expenses		
Bank Fees	275.04	470.69
Go Cardless / Paypal fees	808.39	680.15
Hardship fund	0.00	0.00
OSM Fees	232.68	297.77
Admin	688.55	153.75
Website	75.00	110.00
Capitation Highcliffe	4,140.00	3,408.00
Capitation Nyeri	0.00	390.50
	6,219.66	5,510.86

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
 Payments for year ending
 31st December 2024

	2024	2023
Equipment		
Equipment	2,030.82	249.76
Activity equipment	119.83	0.00
Camping Equipment	0.00	0.00
	<u>2,150.65</u>	<u>249.76</u>
 Other Expenses		
Training	0.00	0.00
Motor Cost	338.60	884.68
Gifts	164.98	1,130.79
Sundry	0.00	7.76
Corrections	304.86	9,260.16
Refreshments	0.00	107.79
Trophies and engraving	122.98	333.50
	<u>931.42</u>	<u>11,724.68</u>
 Badges & Uniform		
Badges	1,090.37	1,003.35
Activity Wear	1,018.30	605.49
Leaders Uniform	218.00	77.09
	<u>2,326.67</u>	<u>1,685.93</u>
 Payments for the year	<u>46,583.32</u>	<u>46,061.70</u>

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Summary for year ending
31st December 2024

	2024	2023
Summary		
Account balance brought forward	37,433.13	33,643.30
Total income	41,000.20	49,851.53
Total expenditure	46,583.32	46,061.70
Net income	-5,583.12	3,789.83
Account balance carried forward	<u>31,850.01</u>	<u>37,433.13</u>

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at
31st December 2024

	2024	2023
Current Assets (Bank)		
SCOUTS CAF 244	0.00	574.13
PAYPAL	25.14	5,026.60
BEAVERS CAF 245	-	310.32
CUBS CAF 243	-	791.03
GROUP CAF 242	-	5,594.06
NYERI CAF 32	-	-
LLOYDS BANK GROUP ACCOUNT	2,999.57	500.00
EXPENSE ACCOUNT	2,754.84	-
	5,779.55	12,796.14
FUNDRAISING CAF 246	-	24,216.71
LLOYDS FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT	6,070.46	-
LLOYDS DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 1	10,000.00	-
LLOYDS DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 2	10,000.00	-
	26,070.46	24,216.71
Cash in hand (Petty C ash)		
GROUP Petty cash	-	359.58
Scouts Petty Cash	-	60.70
	-	420.28
Total Cash Assets	31,850.01	37,433.13
Fixed Assets		
Van FG11 XBE	3,015.00	3,015.00
Equipment for insurance purpose	31,132.00	31,132.00
	34,147.00	34,147.00
Total Assets	65,997.01	71,580.13

The above Accounts were approved by the Trustees on: 15/05/2025

And signed on their behalf by: S Tomkinson

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the
5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011('the Act').


I report in respect of my examination of 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group, the accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Name: Susan Divall

Address: B2, Exbourne Manor, 37 Christchurch Road, Bournemouth, BH13NX

Date: 03 June 2025



5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group

**Annual General Meeting (AGM)
(for year end 2024)**

**13th June 2025 @ 18.30
Highcliffe Scout Hut
Chewton Common Road
Highcliffe**

Squirrels

Highcliffe's Squirrels Drey has had around 18 members throughout the year which is a number we find works well. We have welcomed new Squirrels and new Leaders and continue to look for new people to join our team of adults as some move on to other activities or are away at university.

Our two Young Leaders – Dom and Mia – continue to be invaluable to the team. They are super helpful each week and run at least one of our meetings each term. They attended a District Young Leader training weekend, and we can see them putting their skills to good use.

The Squirrels themselves are fantastic. They have great imagination and are happy to try lots of new things whether that's new food as we learn about other countries in the world, or adventures in the outdoors, or even a sleepover. More on that later. Between them they have earned a massive 211 badges during 2024, including 11 Chief Scout's Acorn Awards which is the top award in Squirrels. Many of the recipients moved on to Beavers and will be enjoying new adventures there.

As well as lots of badge work, we've also been out and about. We visited Highcliffe Nursing Home at the start of the year to sing campfire songs, joined with Squirrels from the rest of the District for a visit to Moors Valley Country Park and visited Mudeford Lifeboat Station as part of our Local Superhero badge. We also joined the rest of the Scout Group on the visit to Brownsea Island in the Autumn Term. Highcliffe Nursing Home enjoyed our visit and invited us back for some Christmas songs and we again joined with the other Squirrel Dreys in the District for a Christmas Party.

During the Spring Term we held our first ever sleepover. All Squirrels were invited to a full day of activities, and nine Squirrels were brave enough to stay overnight. Our theme was local superheroes, and we had a visit from a GP, decorated superhero cookies, learned first aid and then put it into practice on an incident hike where we found various toys with injuries that needed help. The Squirrels showed their skills admirably.

As in previous years, we joined the rest of Christchurch District for St George's Day celebrations at The Priory and took part in the Remembrance Sunday service in Highcliffe.

As we look back on 2024, the highlight must be our sleepover. As well as good fun at the time, it paves the way for even more adventurous sleepovers, camps and expeditions as the Squirrels continue their Scouting journey.

We have some amazing Leaders in Squirrels – and room for more. None of us can attend each week due to other commitments but it doesn't matter. We plan the programme, and everyone plays their part to have fun and ensure a balanced and exciting range of activities for the Squirrels.

BEAVERS

We started the year with a visit from some Explorer scouts from Burton and Highcliffe which was a fun evening. Later that term we celebrated Chinese New Year, and we made pancakes for Shrove Tuesday. We did lots of badge work including First aid, painting, and skills. We went for a visit to Christchurch Guide and Scout band and all the Beavers got to play the various instruments and learn about the band gaining their Music level 1 badge. Also in March, three of our older Beavers took part in the district "Beavers at Braggers" where they had a great time. We finished the term with a traditional Easter Egg hunt.

In the Summer term we took advantage of the lighter evenings and went out and about in our area. We did a Litter pick on the cliff top, and a trail at Steamer point. We did some gardening; back woods cooking and spent a couple of evenings utilising the school grounds. Firstly, for a mini sports day and then Cycling, where the Beavers bought their bikes/scooters to have a peddle around but also to learn about bike maintenance. We finished off with our annual water games.

Our Autumn was a term for lots of visits. We again took advantage of the light evenings by doing a some more outdoor activities. We visited to our local McDonalds where we helped them with a litter pick, and Kirsty from the store explained their ethos to keep the area tidy and the recycling process and we of course finished the evening with some yummy food. We also visited New Milton Tesco's, and had a full tour behind the scenes, and some Beavers got a chance to work on the check out. As well as all this we managed to collect quite a bit of money in donations for the group. We had a visit from Small Creatures who bought lots of snakes, lizards, and creepy crawlies for us to hold and learn about. We did cooking, experiment, and builder's badges when the evenings started to draw in. Another three of our beavers attended the second "Beavers at Braggers" for the year. We continued the fun with a joint Halloween Camp with the Cubs at the end of October with spooky fun and activities. Our last visit of the term was a night at Snowtrax with all the Beavers and Leaders enjoying the Ringo's. Then of course we finished the year with a Christmas party with lots of games and party food.

Most important to mention our Beavers Drew, Harriet, Reuben, Hazel, Rhys, Warner, and Rowan all completed and were rewarded with their Chief Scout Bronze awards in this year.

We've already had lots of fun so far in 2025, with many activities and adventures planned for the coming terms.

cubs

2024 has been another exciting and adventure-filled year for Highcliffe Cubs, packed with new experiences, skill-building, and community spirit. We kicked off the year working towards our Gardener Badge, learning about planting, growing, and caring for plants. Throughout the year, we also completed the Environmental Conservation Badge, with multiple trips to Lakewood Open Space, where Cubs explored the local environment and helped contribute to conservation efforts through litter picking and habitat care.

In the Spring, we celebrated Chinese New Year, taking part in themed crafts and activities to learn about Chinese traditions and culture. We also visited the Christchurch Food Bank, where Cubs had the opportunity to see how donations help families in need and gained an understanding of local community support. We worked on our Naturalist Badge with a creative twist — using natural dyes and wax-resist techniques to make colourful, eco-friendly fabric bookmarks, which the Cubs loved making (and using!).

A particular highlight of the year was our Irish-themed camp for St Patrick's Day, where we fully embraced the spirit of celebration with green, white, and orange bunting and food inspired by the colours of the Irish flag. It was a memorable event that combined fun, culture, and lots of team spirit. As the weather improved, we focused on our Athletics Badge, taking part in various track and field-style activities that encouraged healthy competition and fitness.

We also had a fantastic musical experience this year, starting with a visit to try out instruments with the Christchurch District Band, followed by a visit from the band to our hut. This inspired one of our Cubs to join the band — a great example of how new opportunities can spark long-term interests. In the run-up to Christmas, Cubs enjoyed some Advent DIY evenings, making festive crafts and decorations while also building practical skills.

We took part in a number of District Events this year, including:

The District 5-a-side football tournament, District Camps, with plenty of opportunities for adventure and teamwork, the Scrap Store Challenge — where we're proud to say Highcliffe Cubs took first place!

It's been a fantastic year, full of hands-on learning, teamwork, and fun — and we're incredibly proud of everything the Cubs have achieved. A huge thank you goes to all our leaders, helpers, parents, and of course, the Cubs themselves, who bring energy and enthusiasm to every meeting. We're looking forward to even more adventures, badges, and memories in 2025!

SCOUTS

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group – AGM Report 2024

Prepared by the Scout Leadership Team: Rob Neal, Courtney Fereday, Adam Hallett, Robin Abbott, Kerry Smith, and our Young Leaders, Jacob Grant and Alex Hewitt.

Introduction

2024 has been another outstanding year for the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group. Scouting provides young people with skills for life through fun, adventure, and challenge, helping them grow in confidence, resilience, and teamwork. Our Scouts have continued to thrive through a varied and engaging programme, gaining skills, friendships, and memories along the way.

This report summarises the activities, achievements, and development of the Scouts section over the past 12 months.

Programme Highlights

With 2025 marking 100 years of continuous scouting in Highcliffe, we have delivered a packed programme of weekly meetings, camps, competitions, and community events. Sessions have focused on core Scouting skills, creativity, adventure, and learning through doing.

Spring Term (January – March 2024)

- We kicked off the year with **light writing photography**, followed by **geo-cache design, social media awareness**, and building **rockets**.
- A key highlight was participation in the **District Cooking Competition** at Bransgore, where teams showcased their culinary skills.
- Our **Winter Camp (9–11 February)** included a hike across the New Forest to get ice creams!
- We rounded off the term with **pancake cooking, a medieval-themed evening, pyro art, geo-caching**, and **cooking on open fires**.

Summer Term (April – July 2024)

- Activities resumed with **pioneering and hammocks**, followed by a competitive **scavenger hunt** around Highcliffe.
- We supported the wider group at **St George's Day** and delivered our annual **Quartermaster evening** to inspect and repair equipment.
- Scouts helped deliver plants for our **fundraising plant sale**, and honed their **camp skills** ahead of summer events.
- We participated in the **Emlyn District Camping Competition**, took part in a **local hike**, and earned the **Cyclist Badge**.

- Term highlights included the high-energy **SuperScout competition**, a fun-filled **crabbing session at Mudeford Quay** (where we did not catch any crabs), and a **paddleboarding evening** to close the summer.

Autumn Term (September – December 2024)

- We helped set up and supported the **Highcliffe Clifftop Music Festival**, followed by a **photo treasure hunt** and **mini pioneering projects**.
- Autumn also featured **first aid training**, **orienteering at Wilverley**, and exploration of global themes for the **International Badge**.
- Our **Halloween fancy dress party** brought fun and creativity to the term.
- November included a **PAC-MAN wide game**, **astronautics badge work**, and a session on **UK Parliament Week**.
- We celebrated achievements at our **Curry Night**, contributed to an **environmental project**, and finished the year in style with a **Christmas Party**.

Special Events and Camps

Throughout the year, our Scouts also took part in:

- **Winter Camp @ Braggers**
- **District Football Competition (2nd Place)**
- **St George’s Day Parade**
- **Spring District Camp**
- **Emlyn Training Camp (3rd Placed)**
- **Scout Hut Open Day**
- **Highcliffe Scout Group Centenary Camp**
- **Paintballing activity day**
- **New Forest Marathon Support Crew – manning a water station**
- **Ice Skating trip**

These events gave Scouts a chance to bond across the District, challenge themselves, and represent our group with pride.

Achievements and Progress

This year, many Scouts have worked toward Activity Badges in areas such as:

- Cyclist
- Astronautics
- International
- UK Parliament
- Environmental Conservation

Our patrol system continues to encourage teamwork, leadership, and responsibility. Inter-patrol competitions have increased healthy competition and skill-sharing. The SuperScout challenges in particular have brought out the best in our young people.

Behaviour:

During 2024, the troop faced a period where ongoing poor behaviour impacted the experience for others, resulting in a small number of Scouts leaving the section. The leadership team took swift and coordinated action to address these challenges, working closely with parents to reinforce expectations and restore a positive environment. We are pleased to report that these efforts were successful—our current troop is confident, respectful, and thriving. While we will continue to monitor behaviour

closely, we would like to sincerely thank all young people, parents and leaders for their support in helping us resolve these issues and ensure a strong foundation as we move into 2025.

At the end of 2024, the troop had c. 26 members, 2 YL, and 6 Leaders. A number of scouts moved up to Explorers, and we welcomed a number of Cubs.

Leadership and Thanks

A huge thank you goes to our dedicated leadership team:

- **Rob Neal** (Section Lead Volunteer)
- **Courtney Fereday**
- **Adam Hallett**
- **Robin Abbott**
- **Kerry Smith**
- **Jacob Grant (Young Leader)**
- **Alex Hewitt (Young Leader)**

Your energy, consistency, and commitment to providing an varied, safe, and enjoyable Scouting Programme, and experiences for the Scouts is appreciated by young people and parents alike.

Thanks also go to our supportive parents, Group Executive Committee, Group Scout Leader, and Parents for your ongoing encouragement and involvement.

Looking Ahead

As we move into 2025, we're excited to expand on the successes of this past year. Plans are already underway for more adventurous camps, skill-building evenings, and District events, including the International Camp to Germany (with a handful of Highcliffe folk attending). With continuity of leadership and support, we're confident the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group will keep growing and inspiring the next generation of Scouts.

Prepared by:

The 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Section Team

Date: May 2025.

EXPLORERS

2024 to 2025 has seen a new leadership team, Julie Langdown, Jenny Garland, Stuart Barnes and Juliet Gregson have taken on the leadership of Nyeri. Nyeri Explorer Scout Unit have an expanding and increasingly engaged unit, with young people taking a leading role in shaping and delivering their programme. We have investigated how we can implement the program to achieve the Platinum Award, Diamond Award, and Kings Scout Award. We hope that we can implement a program where we can encourage all our explorers to achieve these highly recognised awards.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Jacob Grant and Dominic Hallet for achieving their Platinum award.

We also congratulate Jacob Grant, William Stevens, Daniel Tomkinson for completing their Young Leaders Missions 1 to 4.

With the below members nearing completion we hope to award their badges soon, Isabelle Langdown, Emily Grant, Dominic Hallett and Joseph Barnes.

Programme Overview

Our calendar has been given an overhaul with the aim of completing the ICV List (International, Community and Values List). This list is the purpose of the Platinum, Diamond and Kings Award.

Each award has a set number of tasks to complete. With this in mind we have built a program to enable us to achieve these tasks. We also like to keep the program fun and engaging and include games and skills, with the favourite game of hunted.

Our program for the past year has included:

Games Nights, Fire Lighting, Cooking Challenge (Chilli con Carne without a recipe), Outdoor Skills – backwoods cooking, pancakes, Community service: litter picks Mundeford to Highcliffe beach clean-up, wide games, fire lighting, matchstick rockets, Hunted, pioneering, circus skills, gingerbread men.

Special Events

Frostbite Camp – Cold-weather resilience and outdoor skills

This year our team of 4 showed great Skills, Teamwork and Knowledge and have won the Frostbite Camp challenge. We congratulate

Joseph Barnes, Dominic Hallett, Elliot Holkham and Ted Storey

St George's Day Parade

Many of our Explorers are Young Leaders within the Christchurch district so although we did not have a huge turnout for Nyeri many of our explorers were supporting their Young Leader Section. This year 5th Highcliffe Scout Group were duty group and had the pleasure of organising the church service and performance. As Nyeri are in a partnership with Highcliffe we had the pleasure of join them in the performance.

Leadership Changes

We extend our sincere thanks to the leaders who stepped in. Your time, energy, and enthusiasm ensure Nyeri Explorer Scout Unit continues to be a place where young people can continue their Scouting journey, learn skills for life and thrive.

Looking ahead to the rest of 2025

Our goals include:

Supporting more young people through DofE at all levels; Encouraging badge completion for Top Awards up to an hopefully inspiring the young people to take on the Scouting Associations top award – the King's Scout Award; Expanding outdoor and overnight experiences/events; and Increasing Explorer involvement in District and County events

To our young people—thank you for showing up, stepping up, and making Nyeri what it
To parents/guardians and carers—thank you for your patience while the new team settle in and implement a working program

To our leadership team—thank you for giving your time, week after week, to inspire the next generation of adults with values rooted in Scouting.

We look forward to continuing this journey together into another year of challenge, achievement, and adventure.



This has been my second year as Group Lead Volunteer and as last year I am in awe at the tremendous amount of fun and hard work our young people, team members and parents put into achieving the wide range of experience that are delivered across the sections. On top of all the great weekly section meetings and regular camps and events the Group also took over as Duty Group at the St Georges Day parade. Not only did we have to look after the Districts Colours, but we also had to find a way to be at two Remembrance Parades and services at the same time, as well as organise the next St Georges service, but I'll save that for next year.

2024 was our Centenary Year. The Group initially started in 1908, but closed a few years later, reopening in 1924, and has been open continuously ever since. To celebrate this milestone, we ran an Open Day in May, with history, skills and activities for the community to enjoy. We held our first family camp, The Centenary Camp, at Braggers Wood, with a barn dance and other more traditional scouting activities over the weekend. We finished the celebration with a Group trip to Brownsea Island, where we all renewed our promise at the Promise Stone. It has been a busy but wonderful year as Highcliffe goes from strength to strength.

This year through the efforts of Annabel and myself we now have a lease for the first time in nearly 10 years, possibly longer. The garage roof no longer leaks thanks to Mark Young and we have a new sound system thanks to Graham Martin and his boss at Twisted Pair. Thank you both.

We ran the Plant Sale again this year and raised a significant sum thanks to the efforts of Emma and her team. The support of parents in this way and others is invaluable. I'd like to end by thanking all the volunteer leaders and young leaders, parent volunteers, and Trustees for the many, many hours you give to enable scouting in Highcliffe. You are all amazing.

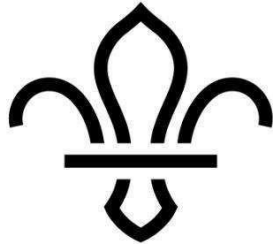
Andy Hewitt (Woody)

Group Lead Volunteer 2024

5TH CHRISTCHURCH (HIGHCLIFFE) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 302216

Accounts



Scouts

**5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Scout Council**

**Trustees' Annual Reports and Statements of Accounts Year
Ending 31 December 2023**

Trustee's Annual Report

For period of 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name	5 th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Registered Charity Number	302216
Charity Registered address	Scout Hit, Chewton Common Road, Highcliffe, Dorset, BH23 5LZ

Trustee(s)

Name	Role	Date of appointment
Charlotte Smith	Trustee	30 October 2023
Andrew James Hewitt	Trustee	16 July 2023
Stephanie Tomkinson	Trustee	27 May 2023
Graham Budd	Trustee	01 November 2022
Keryn Hallett	Trustee	01 September 2022
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Achievements

2023 has seen a wide range of activities with all sections fully returning to offering nights away to the young people in their sections.

Squirrels took their first trip to Brownsea Island.

In Beavers 9 youngsters completed their Bronze Chief Scouts Award

Cubs competed in the District swimming competition and 5-a-side football, ending the year with an amazing production to earn their Entertainer's badge.

Scouts took place in the annual Emlyn (scout skills) competition and District night hike competition.

Explorers

Further details of the section activities are appended to the Report

Finance

As per the groups accounts (attached) Highcliffe scout group are in a good financial position. Income has outstripped expenditure mostly due to an excellent plant sale result over the previous year. Subscription income is down on 2022 as the Explorer subscriptions are now administered by District in accordance with POR. The group are in a fortunate position to have sufficient funds in reserves to continue scouting even if the current economic environment deteriorates and at a time when we are forecasting expenditure to rise quicker than income. Subscription rates have not risen for a number of years and will need to be reviewed in 2025. The Trustee Board have taken the decision to draw down on some of these reserves in 2023 rather than add further financial pressure to our families and have continued to hold our subscriptions as they were prior to the Covid Pandemic.

**5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Payments for year ending
31st December 2023**

Payments	2023	2022
Premises		
Rent	0.00	0.00
Rates	73.72	107.92
Utilities	2,742.94	1,786.05
Waste Collections	555.57	477.00
Broadband	387.36	374.21
Insurance	1,912.86	2,177.70
Contents insurance	475.60	121.85
Occasional helper Insurance	640.40	0.00
CCTV Cameras	119.76	119.76
Venue Maintenance	1,282.95	1,365.51
	8,191.16	6,530.00
Activities		
Events	1,209.47	535.00
Events - Beavers	431.22	285.02
Events - Cubs	576.65	1,543.14
Events - Explorers	0.00	46.50
Events - Scouts	2,721.12	3,750.66
Events - Squirrels	816.50	282.06
Meetings	10.40	55.00
Meetings - Beavers	662.41	952.91
Meetings - Cubs	777.63	640.39
Meetings - Explorers	6.78	602.08
Meetings - Scouts	1,105.77	620.71
Meetings - Squirrels	819.20	0.00
Car Project	0.00	1,355.54
	9,137.15	10,669.01
Fundraising		
Plant Sale	9,562.16	7,184.04
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Administration Expenses		
Bank Fees	470.69	625.20
Go Cardless / Paypal fees	680.15	800.76
Hardship fund	0.00	0.00
OSM Fees	297.77	297.47
Admin	153.75	0.00

Website	110.00	673.40
Capitation Highcliffe	3,408.00	2,863.50
Capitation Nyeri	390.50	759.00
	5,510.86	6,019.33

**5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Receipts for year ending
31st December 2023**

	2023	2022
Receipts		
Membership Fees	14,820.00	13,635.00
Membership Fees - Nyeri	803.00	4,590.00
	15,623.00	18,225.00

Bank Interest	67.92	31.38
	67.92	31.38

Income		
Hall Hire	0.00	150.00
Nyeri Rent	0.00	0.00
	0.00	150.00

Grants and donations		
Government Covid Grants	0.00	0.00
Donation	413.80	1,299.49
Gift Aid	2,956.89	0.00
	3,370.69	1,299.49

Activities		
Events	217.90	0.00
Events Squirrels	581.00	0.00
Events - Beavers	400.00	240.00
Events - Cubs	560.00	1,055.00
Events - Explorers	135.00	82.00
Events - Scouts	2,385.00	2,920.84
	3,480.00	4,297.84

Fundraising		
Plant Sale	15,571.80	12,288.65
Fundraising other	0.00	0.00
	15,571.80	12,288.65

Other Income		
Corrections	9,635.16	0.00
Car Project	1,285.06	0

Brand Uniform	18.50	327.80
	10,938.72	327.80
Total receipts for year	49,851.03	36,620.16

**5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Payments for year ending
31st December 2023**

	2023	2022
Equipment		
Equipment	249.76	1,699.79
Camping Equipment	0.00	798.60
	249.76	2,498.39
Other Expenses		
Training	0.00	0.00
Motor Cost	884.68	1,604.73
Gifts	1,130.79	261.55
Sundry	7.76	308.18
Corrections	9,260.16	0.00
Refreshments	107.79	417.82
Trophies and engraving	333.50	253.95
	11,724.6	
	8	2,846.23
Badges & Uniform		
Badges	1,003.35	576.85
Activity Wear	605.49	250.25
Leaders Uniform	77.09	197.76
	1,685.93	1,024.86
	46,061.7	38,793.8
Payments for the year	0	6

**5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Summary for year ending
31st December 2023**

	2023	2022
Summary		
Account balance brought forward	33,643.3	33,795.0
	0	0
	49,851.5	36,620.1
Total income	3	6

Total expenditure	46,061.7	36,771.8
Net income	0	6
	<u>3,789.83</u>	<u>-151.70</u>
Account balance carried forward	37,433.1	33,643.3
	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at
31st December 2023

	2023	2022
Current Assets (Bank)		
SCOUTS CAF 244	574.13	280.84
PAYPAL	5,026.60	84.60
BEAVERS CAF 245	310.32	0.06
CUBS CAF 243	791.03	558.95
GROUP CAF 242	5,594.06	2,754.12
NYERI CAF 32	-	2,407.27
LLOYDS BANK GROUP ACCOUNT	500.00	-
	<u>12,796.14</u>	<u>6,085.84</u>
FUNDRAISING CAF 246	24,216.71	27,177.18
	<u>24,216.71</u>	<u>27,177.18</u>
Cash in hand (Petty C ash)		
GROUP Petty cash	359.58	359.58
Scouts Petty Cash	60.70	20.70
	<u>420.28</u>	<u>380.28</u>
Total Cash Assets	<u>37,433.13</u>	<u>33,643.30</u>

Fixed Assets

Van FG11 XBE	3,015.00	3,015.00
Equipment for insurance purpose	<u>31,132.00</u>	<u>31,132.00</u>
	<u>34,147.00</u>	<u>34,147.00</u>
Total Assets	<u>71,580.13</u>	<u>67,790.30</u>

The above Accounts were approved by the Trustees on: 31/05/2024

And signed on their behalf by:



Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').


I report in respect of my examination of, the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Name: Susan Divall

Address: B2, Exbourne Manor, 37 Christchurch Road, Bournemouth, BH13NX

Date: 10/06/24



**5th Christchurch
(Highcliffe)
Scout Group**

**Annual General Meeting (AGM)
(for year end 2023)**

**14th June 2024 @ 18.30
Highcliffe Scout Hut
Chewton Common Road
Highcliffe**

Squirrels

Highcliffe's Squirrels Drey originally opened in October 2022 with just 12 Squirrels, and we increased to 14 at the start of 2023. By the end of the year, we had settled on 18 as a nice number that gives the opportunity to many in our community, while also being sustainable with our leadership team. During 2023 we welcomed both new Squirrels and new Leaders and now have a great team from a mixture of parents and those who have already been involved in Scouting. We have been supported by some wonderful Young Leaders and we're happy to see two of them move into adult Scouting roles during the year as they turned 18. The Squirrels themselves are amazing. Between them they have earned a massive 240 badges during the year, including our first presentations of the top award in Squirrels. During the year we presented 7 Chief Scout's Acorn Awards and sent the recipients on to Beavers to continue their Scouting journey.

As well as lots of badge work, we've also been out and about. We've visited the grounds of Highcliffe Castle to follow a trail, built dens at Braggers Wood, and ended the year with a visit to Longdown Activity Farm where we fed lambs, collected eggs, held baby chicks, played in the outdoor play area and, of course, chatted to Santa. The year also gave us an opportunity to meet Squirrels from the rest of Christchurch District with a Squirrels Scurry trip to Brownsea Island in May, and a morning of Squirrels Go Nuts at Braggers Wood in September. We joined the rest of Christchurch District at the annual St George's Day parade and our flag was blessed at The Priory.

Finding a highlight is next to impossible and as difficult as selecting a single Squirrel of the Year. However, 2023 paved the way for us to venture into the excitement of a sleepover in 2024. More on that at next year's AGM but it does show not only how fantastic the Squirrels are, but, as importantly, how amazing the Leadership team is. For many of us it's impossible to attend each week so knowing that we have a strong team that commit their time and energy makes it possible to deliver an exciting programme and undertake the ultimate adventure of a residential event. The highlight therefore has to be the constant flexibility and enthusiasm of the team of Leaders.

BEAVERS

Sadly, we said a fond farewell to Vince (Kookaburra) at the end of 2022, however we kicked off the New Year with a new leader Gail (Owl) joining the team in January. We celebrated the Chinese New Year, did some team building, we had an evening of creativity to seek out any budding Picasso's, which led to Arthur and Rowan representing Highcliffe in the District painting competition in March. We also celebrated World Book Day and got dressed up as book Characters, and each Beaver bought in their favourite book for the group to share. Also in March, ten of our older Beavers took part in the District Beaver Adventure Day at Braggers Wood where they had lots of fun. We finished the term with a traditional Easter Egg hunt.

In the Summer term we took advantage of the lighter evenings and went out and about in our area covering local knowledge. We did a Litter pick on the cliff top, and a trail at Steamer point. We had a tour of Highcliffe Castle, and the Priory in Christchurch. We also celebrated the Kings coronation with a party and had a visit from a Special Police Officer who explained her job, and the Beavers got to have a look and try on some uniform. We did some badge work, tent building and finished the term with water games and fun.

We started the Autumn term with the introduction of Matt (Baloo) to our Leader team, and welcomed our 1st set of Squirrels moving on up to Beavers. We did a Green Cross Code Walk around the local area. We visited Christchurch Fire Station, along with Mundeford RNLi Lifeboat station and learnt about the important work they do. We did Fire lighting, Knots, and the International Badge, where the Beavers tried food from around the world. They completed their Space Badge with a visit from our own Group Lead Volunteer (GLV) Woody teaching the Beavers all they needed to know. We continued the fun with a Halloween Camp at Braggers Wood with spooky fun and activities. To end the year, we had lots of celebrations with a night at Snowtrax with all the Beavers and Leaders enjoying the Ringo's. Christmas craft, and of course a Christmas party with lots of games and party food. Most important to mention our Beavers Max, Monty, Arthur, Harry, Libby, Ferdinand, JJ, Alex S, and Raphael all completed and were rewarded with their Chief Scout Bronze awards in this year.

cubs

2023 has been an adventure packed year for Highcliffe Cubs. We started off in the Spring term with a visit from Kat, one of the district youth commissioners who introduced the You Shape badge to us. Following on from this each Six planned and ran (with support!) a section meeting of their choice! These included science experiments, artist badge, games and food challenges and fire lighting with s'mores! We also ran our annual pancake making meeting, this year using an egg free recipe with much success due to the thicker consistency of the mixture. The term was concluded with a trip out to play a round of crazy golf, in the rain! In March we ran a successful skills camp incorporating the district hike from Anderwood to Bolderwood and back. This camp signed off many outstanding elements of the challenge badges.

The warmer weather and lighter evenings of the summer term meant more time outside with local hikes, shelter building, and a visit from the Christchurch Scout and Guide Band. The term was concluded with an evening of water sports - rafting and canoeing at Hengistbury Head. During the Autumn term we worked on our pioneering skills - knots and lashings and each made a mini catapult. We cooked toad in the hole on billy cans over open fires, made hedgehog houses with SAS and had a Halloween party. In the run up to Christmas we made puppets, instruments and performed puppet shows and singing an audience as part of the Entertainer badge.

During the year we also took part in district events including The Horrible Histories themed district camp, Swimming badge gala, 5 a side football tournament, scrap store challenge, quiz night and hikes.

We are looking forward to more adventures next year.

SCOUTS

Highcliffe Scouts section has 28 active members, who are led by a team of 5 volunteers, supported by two Young Leaders. They have had a few Scouts move on up to Nyeri, and other Christchurch District Explorer Units in the last 12mths and have welcomed some cubs and other young people who are new to scouting. Highcliffe Scouts have attended/arranged several camps over the last 12mths, including a residential Winter Camp, and District Camp, both at Braggers Wood. The Scouts also competed in the District Night Hike Competition where well after midnight, we found out that the Patrol representing Highcliffe came in 6th place overall. The Scouts also put on a sterling display at the District Football competition coming fourth.

The Scout section also attended Remembrance Day Service/parade at St Marks. It was great to see so many smartly turned-out young people attending and representing Scouting. Similarly, we had a good turnout at St Georges Day, where the section paraded through Christchurch with all other district scout groups (and sections), and youth groups.

They also supported the local community, with beach cleans (litter picking), and helping Highcliffe Art Festival set up their displays at the Methodist Hall. Some scouts also volunteered to man a water station at the New Forest Marathon. The Scouts also helped to deliver order forms and plants to customers for the plant sale.

We very much hope to be able to ensure that as many scouts as possible move on up to Explorers having had the opportunity to attain the Gold level award – the pinnacle of awards for the scout age young people.

EXPLORERS

Another fun and action-packed year at Nyeri Explorers!

Christchurch Explorers (Nyeri) has 18 active members, who are led by team of volunteers including Rob Neal, Phil Stevens, and Debbie Gomme. Dan Fawcett supported the team during the year also.

We have had the pleasure to welcome a handful of young people who have moved on up from Scouts (filtering from Highcliffe and also from other Christchurch district troops) and have also welcomed a couple of young people from outside of the district/scouts.

In the past year we have arranged many events and activities, including camping (residential), visiting the New Forest Water Park. Many of the Explorers are also working towards their DoE and Chief Scout awards, and as part of this they volunteer as Young Leaders and support many other sections within Highcliffe. It is always a pleasure to see them helping younger sections, and getting positive feedback about how helpful they are. The Explorers have also supported District events, including District Camp, the Night Hike Competition and Emlyn.

The Explorer also attended Remembrance Day Service/and St Georges Day parade/services at St Marks and Christchurch Priory respectively. As ever the Explorers did us proud setting a great example for the younger sections.

We have also been doing a small part to support the local community, with beach cleans (litter picking), and helping Highcliffe Art Festival set up their displays at the Methodist Hall. Some explorers also volunteered to man a water station at the New Forest Marathon. The Explorers also helped to deliver order forms and plants to customers to support Highcliffe Scout Group plant sale.

Unlike younger scouting sections, Explorers are actively encouraged to come up with their own programme of activities and events, and where possible (and in most cases where feasible!) the leadership team does our best to bring these ideas to life. In the last 12mths we have sought to offer and provide a balanced, fun, adventurous but importantly youth-shaped programme. We have:

- Night Hike
- Backwoods Cooking
- Pioneering
- Scavenger Hunt
- Crabbing
- Widgames
- Sandcastle Building Competition

- New Forest Waterpark
- Firelighting
- Nyeri - super scout
- Monopoly wide game
- knots/camp gadgets
- £10 backwoods cooking challenge
- Halloween evening
- casino night
- wood craft
- platinum Chief Scout award evening
- Hunted wide game
- Christmas party making gingerbread houses
- light painting photos
- Chinese
- Pancakes
- influencer evening
- Litter pick
- Shelter
- Paintballing
- Forging
- Chill Camp

In summary, the last 12mths have been action packed. The partnership agreement with Highcliffe continues to support many young people who are able to filter up from the scout section. Many thanks to the team of volunteers who support Nyeri including the wider District support team, who contribute so much of their time, skills, and knowledge to enable and provide such a wide and varied programme of activities and events.

Looking forward to next year – we have a number of Explorers and leaders who will be attending the District Camp to Germany – so the next 12mths or so will certainly continue to be fun and adventurous.

So, we know the next 12mths are going to be busier – and even more fun!



In summary, the last 12mths have been extremely busy, enjoyable, and rewarding for all four sections. The section teams are running extremely well, and I feel honoured to lead such a committed and amazing team. The teams continue to recruit exceptional individuals who provide our youngsters with the widest range of opportunities. The committee has completed its transition to a small, focussed Trustee Board. Financially, the Group remains stable with an eye to the future where a new build hut should one day appear.

We also said a very fond farewell to Debbie Gomme who stepped down as GSL in the Spring. Debbie took over for a short spell of joint working with the former longstanding GSL, Julie Langdown. We are all grateful for all the time Debbie spent at the helm and now she has moved on to a training role in District we wish her well. After Debbie stepped down, she was ably covered by Fran, until I took the reins in July. We said goodbye to our Chair, Phil Stevens, at the end of July. Phil had been Chair for 4years, having been on the committee for 2 years prior to that, and had worked tirelessly to place the Group in a financially stable position and ensure the facilities were suitable for our young people. We are massively appreciative of the work Phil did as Chair and are pleased to say he is still involved in scouting as one of the Nyeri explorer leaders.

The new Squirrel section has gone from strength to strength, and we've added new leaders, Ben, Geoff and Sam to the team. The Beaver section has welcomed Dylan to the team; cubs have welcomed Matt, Vicki, Kevin, Claire and Debbie, and also seen the return of Jane (Lucky). Scout section has added Robin, Kerry and Chris. The Explorer section has seen some churn with leaders coming and going. Rob remains along, with Phil, but we've said goodbye to Dan as he seeks new adventures in Canada and Debbie who is concentrating on

District training. All the sections have wonderful young leaders supporting the adults in looking after your youngsters. There are opportunities for young leaders on all sections at this time.

We ran the Plant Sale again this year and raised a significant sum thanks to the efforts of Emma and her team. The support of parents in this way and others is invaluable. I'd like to end by thanking all the volunteer leaders and young leaders, parent volunteers, and Trustees for the many, many hours you give to enable scouting in Highcliffe. You are all amazing.

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Registered Charity Number 302216

Charity Registered Address Scout Hut, Chewton Common Road, Highcliffe,
Dorset, BH23 5LZ

Trustees

Name	Role	Date of appointment
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Philip Stevens	Chair	19 May 2017
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Lisa Cordery	Treasurer	01 June 2022
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Courtney Fereday	Trustee	01 January 2020
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Claire Toop	Trustee	07 January 2023
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Graham Budd	Trustee	01 November 2022
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Emma Tuckey	Trustee	01 September 2022
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Keryn Hallett	Trustee	01 September 2022
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Sarah Carter	Trustee	01 December 2020
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Vincent Elsey	Trustee	01 January 2020
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Deborah Darby	Trustee	01 December 2020
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Philippa Newman	Trustee	20 March 2014
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Jamie Grant	Trustee	01 January 2020
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Achievements

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- February Freezer Camp (Scouts)
- District Jubilee Camp (Scouts and Cubs sleeping over with beavers joining them for a massive 'street party' and the lighting of the beacon along with all the others in the country on the Friday night

- Kandersteg International Scout Centre Camp (Scouts and Explorers)
- Emlyn Competition Camp (Scouts - winning one award and placing in two trophies)
- Sixers and Seconders Camp (cubs)
- Marvel Camp (Cubs)

Other activities included

Scouts - learning knots with the assistance of the SAS, Paddleboarding at Mundeford Quay and rounded the year off nicely with Scout and Parent activity day at Butchers Coppice which was a great success. Highlight of the year was finally being able to hold an Expedition which meant that a backlog of 7 Scouts from over the last 3 years could complete their Chief Scout Gold award.

Cubs - visit to Christchurch Foodbank. The Cubs helped stock up the selves and made up food parcels, completing badge work including pioneering, map/grid referencing, and took part in the District Cub Hike, did a beach clean, and a wheel's evening on the school playground. Kayaking at Shore Sports Mundeford Quay, a District Cub Quiz (Highcliffe team took third place). A District Cub Hike in October at Hengistbury Head, and they had a Chief Scout Silver Awards Evening in November

Beavers - took part in an Easter Egg Hunt, making bug hotels, had a sports day and played water games. They also went to the local RNLI building to see the lifeboat.

Squirrels - In the Autumn term Highcliffe opened their Squirrel Drey allowing us to provide scouting from 4 years upwards. The group of 12 Squirrels. were invested in November, and they welcomed The Mayor, the Chair of the Parish Council, the Vicar, and our DC to an Opening Celebration at the end of term in December. The opening was covered in the local paper. The squirrel leadership team has grown from 3 to 5. The Squirrels have been working hard on their badge work seeing them complete their Membership Award, celebrating Thanksgiving, and sharing things that make us all Feel Good. After their first Half Term we awarded over 20 activity and challenge badges.

Further details of the section activities are appended to the Report

Finance

As per the groups accounts (attached) Highcliffe scout group are in a good financial position, although due to the economic climate our income and expenditure are broadly level for the first time in a number of years. The group are in a fortunate position to have sufficient funds in reserves to continue scouting during this time of economic uncertainty and at a time when we are forecasting expenditure to rise quicker than income. The Executive committee/Trustee Board have taken the decision to draw down on some of these reserves in 2023 rather than add further financial pressure to our families and have held our subscriptions as they were prior to the Covid Pandemic.

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
 Payments for year ending
 31st December 2022

Payments	2022	2021
Premises		
Rent	0.00	300.00
Rates	107.92	37.15
Utilities	1,786.05	927.31
Waste Collections	477.00	464.11
Broadband	374.21	211.20
Insurance	2,177.70	1,953.92
Contents insurance	121.85	121.00
Occasional helper Insurance	0.00	42.00
CCTV Cameras	119.76	154.76
Venue Maintenance	1,365.51	773.84
	6,530.00	4,985.29
Activities		
Events	535.00	1,348.38
Events - Beavers	285.02	0.00
Events - Cubs	1,543.14	326.00
Events - Explorers	46.50	0.00
Events - Scouts	3,750.66	0.00
Events - Squirrels	282.06	0.00
Meetings	55.00	1,098.07
Meetings - Beavers	952.91	938.17
Meetings - Cubs	640.39	574.70
Meetings - Explorers	602.08	1,437.62
Meetings - Scouts	620.71	561.24
Car Project	1,355.54	1,169.68
	10,669.01	7,453.86
Fundraising		
Plant Sale	7,184.04	0.00
	7,184.04	0.00
Administration Expenses		
Bank Fees	625.20	576.00
Go Cardless / Paypal fees	800.76	0.00
Hardship fund	0.00	1,000.00
OSM Fees	297.47	815.30
Section loan	0.00	500.00
Website	673.40	0.00
Capitation Highcliffe	2,863.50	4,120.50
Capitation Nyeri	759.00	954.75
	6,019.33	7,966.55

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
 Receipts for year ending
 31st December 2022

	2022	2021
Receipts		
Membership Fees	13,635.00	13,555.00
Membership Fees - Nyeri	4,590.00	615.00
	18,225.00	14,170.00
Bank Interest		
	31.38	0.00
	31.38	0.00
Income		
Hall Hire	150.00	300.00
Nyeri Rent	0.00	150.00
	150.00	450.00
Grants and donations		
Government Covid Grants	0.00	16,335.21
Donation	1,299.49	66.33
Gift Aid	0.00	3,448.90
	1,299.49	19,850.44
Activities		
Events	0.00	2,116.95
Events - Beavers	240.00	0.00
Events - Cubs	1,055.00	0.00
Events - Explorers	82.00	0.00
Events - Scouts	2,920.84	0.00
	4,297.84	2,116.95
Fundraising		
Plant Sale	12,288.65	0.00
Fundraising other	0.00	0.00
	12,288.65	0.00
Other Income		
Section loan	0.00	500.00
Brand Uniform	327.80	792.18
	327.80	1,292.18
Total receipts for year	36,620.16	37,879.57

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
 Payments for year ending
 31st December 2022

	2022	2021
Equipment		
Equipment	1,699.79	4,954.74
Camping Equipment	798.60	0.00
	<u>2,498.39</u>	<u>4,954.74</u>
 Other Expenses		
Training	0.00	185.00
Motor Cost	1,604.73	1,193.43
Gifts	261.55	130.00
Sundry	308.18	484.14
Covid Cost	0.00	54.15
Refreshments	417.82	0.00
Trophies and engraving	253.95	650.63
	<u>2,846.23</u>	<u>2,697.35</u>
 Badges & Uniform		
Badges	576.85	1,095.20
Activity Wear	250.25	2,091.20
Leaders Uniform	197.76	0.00
	<u>1,024.86</u>	<u>3,186.40</u>
 Payments for the year	<u><u>38,793.86</u></u>	<u><u>33,265.19</u></u>

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Summary for year ending
31st December 2022

	2022	2021
Summary		
Account balance brought forward	33,795.00	27,159.62
Total income	36,620.16	37,879.57
Total expenditure	36,771.86	31,244.19
Net income	-151.70	6,635.38
Account balance carried forward	33,643.30	33,795.00

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at
31st December 2022

	2022	2021
Current Assets (Bank)		
SCOUTS CAF 244	280.84	239.73
PAYPAL	84.60	175.36
BEAVERS CAF 245	0.06	127.32
CUBS CAF 243	558.95	1,000.63
GROUP CAF 242	2,754.12	2,491.76
NYERI CAF 32	2,407.27	295.35
	6,085.84	4,330.15
FUNDRAISING CAF 246	27,177.18	28,789.57
	27,177.18	28,789.57
Cash in hand (Petty C ash)		
GROUP Petty cash	359.58	654.58
Scouts Petty Cash	20.70	20.70
	380.28	675.28
Total Cash Assets	33,643.30	33,795.00
Fixed Assets		
Van FG11 XBE	3,015.00	3,015.00
Equipment for insurance purpose	31,132.00	31,132.00
	34,147.00	34,147.00
Total Assets	67,790.30	67,942.00

The above Accounts were approved by the Trustees on:

And signed on their behalf by:

Statement of Accounts

Charity Name 5th Christchurch Highcliffe Scout Group

Registered Charity Number 302216

Prepared by Lisa Cordery (Treasurer)

The accounts and the accompanying statements of Assets and Liabilities were approved by Trustees on the 7 June 2023 and signed on their behalf by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Phil Stevens', is written over a faint, light-colored rectangular stamp or watermark.

Phil Stevens
Group Chair

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

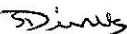
I report in respect of my examination of, the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Name: Susan Divall

Address: B2, Exbourne Manor, 37 Christchurch Road, Bournemouth, BH13NX

Date: 06/06/23



**5th Christchurch
(Highcliffe)
Scout Group**

**Annual General Meeting (AGM)
(for year end 2022)**

**9th June 2023 @ 18.30
Highcliffe Scout Hut
Chewton Common Road
Highcliffe**

Squirrels

We are delighted to say that the opening of a Squirrels Drey has been a great success. Our first meeting was after the October Half Term with 12 Squirrels. They were invested en masse later in November and we welcomed The Mayor, the Chair of the Parish Council, the Vicar and our DC to an Opening Celebration at the end of term in December. The opening was covered in the local paper. Our leadership team started with Frances as Section Leader, joined by Charlotte and Claire as Assistants who were both invested at Squirrels. We have had one parents volunteer to help regularly and see this happening more, and we are very ably helped by Ellie, our wonderful Young Leader.

We will expand in January and welcome more new Squirrels so that we have good numbers each week, even if one or two are absent at a meeting. The Squirrels are a wonderful bunch of youngsters and it's a pleasure to start them on their Scouting journey. The Squirrels badge work has had them completing their Membership Award, celebrating Thanksgiving, and sharing things that make us all Feel Good. After their first Half Term we awarded over 20 activity and challenge badges. And we can't write a report without mention of our very special mascot – voted to be named Robert Baden-Squirrel, known as Bobby for short – who is taken home by a Squirrel each week and goes on some marvellous adventures.

BEAVERS

Beavers in 2022 felt like we had finally got back to pre-Covid times, with the leaders being able to run a full programme and a full colony.

As always, the early part of the year saw the Beaver being based at the hut, where we covered off activities like, making bird feeders, Emergency Aid, Games, Hobbies and of course everyone's favourite Pancake night!

Once the weather improved, we sprang into action and managed to get Navigation, Easter egg hunts, Communication badge, a beach clean and the leader favourite; Backwoods Cooking all squeezed in before the summer term.

We were due to have a camp for our older Beavers at the Scout hut, as due to Covid they had missed out on so many camps, however due to safety concerns it was decided to cancel the camp, so unfortunately a lot of our older Beaver did miss out.

The build-up to the summer holidays is always fun and with the support of St Marks, managed to cover off the Cyclist Badge and Sports day. The beavers then covered their Disability Awareness Badge and before we knew it was water games and the now annual beach party at Avon.

The autumn saw the Beavers build a full-sized bug hotel, do Leaf painting, knock out their Safety badge and Space badge before a brilliant trip to the RNLI station at Mundeford.

We finally closed out the autumn with a brilliant camp at Bragger Wood.

The run up to Christmas was a fun fest, with a lot of craft-based badges, Skills badge and Experiment badge. Unfortunately, we were unable to have our annual Snowtrax night, but we made up for it with a fantastic Christmas Party.

On a sad note, we were sorry to lose Kookaburra (aka Vince) after seven years as a leader, Vince decided to take a step back from Scouting, but has remained on the Committee.

cubs

We began this year of Cubs with a visit to Christchurch Foodbank. The Cubs helped stock up the selves with donated produce, made up food parcels that were soon to be collected, and learnt about the important work that they do in our community. We spent the remaining start of the year completing badge work including pioneering, map/grid referencing, and took part in the District Cub Hike in March.

In the spring we took advantage of the lighter evenings and went out and about in the local area covering local knowledge, did a beach clean, and a wheel's evening on the school playground with the Cubs bringing their bikes and scooters. We had our first camp of the year with the District celebrating the Queens Jubilee with activities, a street party, and the lighting of the beacon along with all the others in the country on the Friday night. Ours was lit by Elliot and our very own Wednesday's Akela, Courtney, as they had recently achieved their Queens Scout awards. In June some of our adults and young people took part in "The Gang Show In A Weekend". Another camp followed for the Sixers and Seconders in July, and we ended the term with Kayaking at Shore Sports Mudeford Quay.

We started the Autumn term amalgamating both Tuesday Tiger and Wednesday Wolves back into one Cub pack on a Tuesday evening and celebrated this with a Marvel Camp at Braggers Wood in September. Also, in September there was a District Cub Quiz, and our team took third place. Another district Cub Hike in October at Hengistbury Head, and we had a Chief Scout Silver Awards Evening in November. We finished off the year with a Christmas jumper and Film Night at the Hut.

We have already had lots of fun so far this year, and many activities and adventures planned for the coming terms.

SCOUTS

The Scouts returned to a lot of their usual programme and activities without any of the lockdowns and restrictions which had affected the previous 2 years. Top priority was a return to camping together as a troop with a Feb Freezer Camp in the lodges at Braggers. It was also good to be back under canvas in early June with half of the troop attending the District Jubilee Camp with the massive Beaver, Cub and Scout sections street party lunch a highlight. Several of our members also had an unbelievable time on the trip to Kandersteg in the summer and thanks again to all the leaders across the district that made that possible.

The troop participated and enjoyed a full calendar of District events again and performed well, particularly in Emlyn - winning the Ashes and placing in the Main and Letchford trophies.

We had a varied programme of activities including a fun evening learning knots with the assistance of the SAS, Paddleboarding at Mudeford Quay and rounded the year off nicely with Scout and Parent activity day at Butchers Coppice which was a great success.

Highlight of the year was finally being able to hold an Expedition which meant that a backlog of 7 Scouts from over the last 3 years could complete their CSA Gold award and we are very proud of them for their patience and commitment.

EXPLORERS

Whilst not part of 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group Nyeri Explorer Unit are linked to the Group under a partnership agreement with Christchurch Scout District and the report of activities has been provided for information so that those involved in the other sections can see the opportunities available when the move on from the Scout section.

2022 has been a year of change with a cohort of older explorers moving on, and a new cohort of Scouts moving up. We now have c.10-12 young people attend week-on-week. We have got over the effects of COVID, and enjoyed a year of more adventurous 'Business As Usual' activities, which has been a massive relief all round! The leadership team now consists of Debbie Darby, Rob Neal and Phil Stevens.

We have also seen a couple of leaders leave the team in 2022, and I would like to take this opportunity to especially thank Julie Langdown for all of her support that she has provided Nyeri for the past decade or more. Richard Darby has also left the team, and again would like to thank him for all of his support over the last few years, especially in relation to the Ian the Car project.

In 2022, we arranged and supported a wide variety of meeting activities, including but not limited to: Orienteering at Hengistbury Head, Trading Game, Hunted, Ice Skating, DoE Expeditions, Survival skills – firefighting, Geocaching, Wide Games, Pioneering/knots, Beach/Sandcastle comp, Waterfights, Monopoly run & Halloween Party.

In addition, the unit supported the Group's Plant sale efforts, delivering brochures/plants. A couple of explorers even managed to get on the local radio discussing the fundraising!

A number of Explorers have also supported the Ian the Car project. This year the team involved, succeeded in restoring him and getting him back on the road (MOT'ed etc...). We also sought to raise funds for the group by raffling him off. We attended a couple of car meetings at Beaulieu and an overnight trip to Santa Pod in Northamptonshire to sell tickets. Ian was eventually

raffled off and won by one of the Explorers! Many thanks to the team for their efforts here!

We look forward to an equally adventurous year of scouting in 2023!”



As you can see, there has been a lot going on at Highcliffe in 2022. Normal service has fully resumed in all sections, and it appears that the pandemic is well and truly behind us now, but we are all well prepared should we need to use our zoom skills again.

In July we had the sad news that our Group President, Cllr. Nick Geary had passed away and we passed on our condolences to his family alongside his constituents in the local area.

We also said a very fond farewell to Julie Langdown who stepped down as GSL after the summer break. Julie started as Chair in 2007 and transitioned through to GSL via Scout Leader (she also helped at Explorers for a while too). Although she has stepped away from Highcliffe as a Group she remains supporting district as a skills instructor for the young people. We are all very grateful for all that Julie has done for Highcliffe and wish her well.

Along with a new section we also greeted new leaders in 2022 including, Frances (although many of you know her as DDC and/or acting GSL), Nadine, Gisele, Stef, Charlotte & Claire and we hope that they enjoy the experiences that scouting at Highcliffe gives.

Before Christmas, and with the kind donations of many parents, some of the committee members and leaders went for an evening of skittles, for which we thank you. This was the first time we had the opportunity to get together since before covid and it was nice to get together and be the Highcliffe Family again – feel free to come and join us as part of that family, there is always a warm welcome no matter how much time you can give.

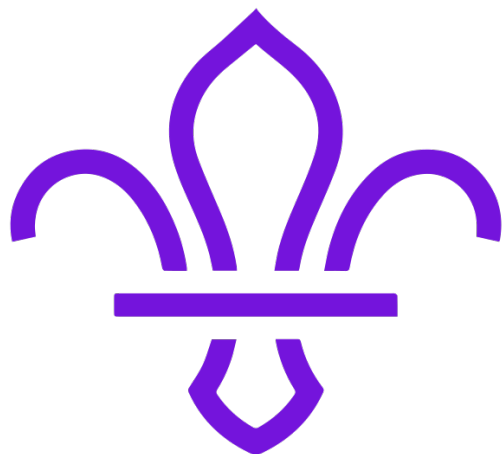
Debbie Darby

Group Scout Leader 2022.

5TH CHRISTCHURCH (HIGHCLIFFE) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 302216

Accounts



Scouts

**5th Christchurch
(Highcliffe)
Scout Group**

**Annual General
Meeting
For year End 2021**

AGM 2021 Meeting Minutes

1. Julie Langdown welcomed all attendees to the Annual general meeting for 2021.

Present

Chair Phil Stevens

Group Scout Leader Julie Langdown

Julie also informed all attendees that the meeting was being recorded due to a vacant secretary.

All attendees were informed that on the chairs were copies of all the documents relating to the AGM for 2021.

In attendance was the District Commissioner Juliet Gregson.

2. Apologies were sent by Amy Kefford.

3. Phil Stevens informed all attendees that the minutes for the 2021 AGM were enclosed in the information packs set out on the chairs and asked for approval of the Minutes of the AGM 2021

Proposer Helen Roberts
Secunder Emma Tuckey
All in favour
None against

1. In the absence of the treasurer the Group scout leader Julie Langdown a copy of the accounts had been circulated prior to the AGM

Julie ran through the key elements in the accounts

- Capitation = £5,368 for 2020 compared with £4,200 for 2019. Capitation per member was £50.25 comprising £36 to HQ (an increase of £7.50 on 2019), £8.75 for County (a decrease of £1 on 2019) and £5.50 for District (these have remained the same).
- Julie advised that there was no intention to increase subscriptions this year but they would be reviewed next year.
- During the year we were down on scout hut hire due to COVID but we did hire the hall to a First Aid provider for £240 who was providing essential training
- £1,013 was raised by bag packing at Sainsbury
- £500 grant was received from HSBC
- We received a £10,000 COVID grant in April and £1,334 COVID grant in November. These helped to go to lost income during the year, which included the lost income due to no plant sale during 2021 due to difficulties with lockdowns.
- Plant sale income in 2020 was down on 2019 £9,761 against £12,458. This was due to supply difficulties from the nursery, the delaying of the plant sale timings due to COVID and the need to provide refunds/vouchers were plants were not available.
- Gift Aid - Julie reiterated that we can claim gift aid of 25p in the £1 but need tax paying parents to complete gift aid forms so that we can claim this back. The money raised through Gift Aid goes to our fundraising. Gift Aid is claimed in arrears. 2020's gift Aid will be less than 2019 as we reduced subscriptions to help parents during COVID many of whom would have been furloughed.
- The depreciation for the van of £285 values the can at £3,015.

2. Sarah Approval of the Annual Report and Accounts Year End 2020

Our accounts were scrutinised by our independent examiner

Nikki Pengelly IAB

Proposer Helen Roberts

Secunder Sarah Carter

All in favour

None against

3. Julie Approval of Group Chair

Phil Stevens has agreed to continue in the position of Chairman. As group scout leader Julie Langdown Nominated Phil Stevens as Chairperson for 2021

Proposer Sarah Carter

Secunder Helen Roberts

All in favour

None against

4. Phil Approval of the appointment of the committee ex-officio members

The following members of the committee have agreed to take the position of

- Secretary Vacant
- Treasurer Sarah Carter

And will be nominated on block

Proposer Emma Hewitt

Secunder Helen Roberts

All in favour

None against

Approval of elected members of the Group Executive

Phil advised that the committee was short of Parent representatives and advise that the committee needed at least 4 further parent

8. Phil members and reiterated that the commitment was for about 3 evenings per year.

The following members have agreed to remain as elected committee members with the addition of 2 new members.

- Vince Elsey Representing Beavers
- Pip Newman Representing Cubs
- Jim Grant Representing Scouts
- Debbie Darby Representing Nyeri
- Helen Roberts Parent Representative

Proposer Emma Hewitt _____

Secunder Gail Grant _____

All in favour

None against

9. Julie Group Presentations

Julie awarded the mini shields from 2020 to the following members

Casey Hurgen-Toop	Most helpful Beaver
Logan Tuckey	Kindest Beaver
Dominic Tyne	Beaver of the year
Dan Wood	Wolves - Cub of the Year
Keira Tuckey	Tigers - Do your best
Emily Grant	Tigers - Cub of the Year
Freya Grindrod	Most Improved Scout
Matthew Roche	Patrol Leaders Award
Dylan Stevens	Scout of the Year
Molly Hindell	Young Leaders Award

2021

Beavers

Samuel Morgan Beaver of the year

Cubs

Fred Wallace Wolves - Cub do your best Award

Leo Wolves - Team player of the year

Aran Wolves - Cub of the year

Logan Tuckey Wolves - Cub of the term.

Liam Tigers - Cub do your best Award

Isaac Tigers - Team player of the year

Charlie Neal Tigers - Cub of the year

& Casey Hurcoombe-toop

Scouts
Francois Seal Most improved Skills
Amelia Stevens Patrol Leader Award
Sam Wall Scout of the Year

Nyeri
Mitch Explorer of the Year Award

Group Scout Leader Awards
Emma Roberts Young Leaders Award
Jim Grant Ron Mason Award

The GSL gave cards and vouchers to Ian Smewing and Andy Hewitt, who are unfortunately departing our group, thanking them for their long service and dedication to Highcliffe Scouts.

Esther, Maya, Dominic, Francois, Alex, Jacob, Emily and Stephanie (Parent Helper) were thanked for their exceptional actions one evening when one of the scouts underwent a medical emergency whilst away from the hut. They helped to administer first aid, get leaders, keep the casualty calm and help direct the Ambulance Crew to the location of the incident. These awards are for First Aid Merit for their actions that evening.

10. Julie Julie Invited Juliet Gregson the District Commissioner to speak.

Juliet commended Highcliffe for representation at Gangshow and scouting prior to the pandemic. She also said that when the Pandemic came along Highcliffe adapted immediately to move to Zoom so as to not stop delivering a fun programme to the young people as the pandemic occurred. Highcliffe were one of the first groups in district to go back to face to face when the rules permitted and kept going as a group to fully engage the young people. Juliet thanked all the leaders for doing this and also to Julie and Andy for creating the Risk assessments to enable scouting to continue in Highcliffe especially as these Risk Assessments formed a basis for the whole District to move forward. Juliet also thanked the YP and parents for playing their parts in keeping scouting going.

Juliet also appealed for more help within the group in any way, whether that is as a leader, exec member or even coming to a camp to cook a meal. Even 2 or 3 hours a year make a difference.

Juliet made the following awards to leaders in the group

5 year award - Claire Toop
Wood Badge - Pip Newman

11. Julie Julie asked all those involved in running the scout group so that they could be thanked for all the work they had done during the year. Phil also thanked the leaders and committee members for all they had done during a difficult year.

Pip Newman stepped forwards to thank Julie for everything she does behind the scenes and for the many hours she spends each week helping the group.

Treasurers report

1. There are four columns listed in the accounts this year ABC and D
2. Column C and D represent the accounts from the year end 2020. On closer inspection we realised on Page 1, Column C, the amount of £18875 pounds (membership fees for Highcliffe) also included the £2835 pounds membership fees for Nyeri, therefore the amount of £2835 pounds has been accounted for twice. This is now amended and reflected in column D
3. Moving to the 2021 accounts Page 1, column B, the capitation is shown as a negative on the receipts side of the account. We have removed capitation from receipts and moving forward will record it under payments rather than a negative income under receipts. This is reflected under Page 1, Column A, highlighted, capitation and also page 2, column A, highlighted capitation. This has no effect on the final summery on page 3. And all balances are
4. Plant sale total sales this year was just over £12,000 pounds and we do not yet know the cost of the products. This will be sent out at a later date.

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
 Receipts for year ending
 31st December 2021

	A	B	C	D
	2021	2021	2020	2020
			AMENDED	
RECEIPTS				
Subscriptions				
Membership Fees Nyeri Explorers	615	615	2835	
Membership Fees Highcliffe	13600	13600	18875	18875
capitation		-5075.25	-5468.75	-5468.75
	<u>14215</u>	<u>9139.75</u>	<u>16241.25</u>	<u>13406.25</u>
Investment Income				
Bank Interest	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		
INCOME				
Hire of Scout Hut	300	300	240	240
Nyeri	150	150	600	600
	<u>450</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>840</u>	<u>840</u>
Grants and Donations				
Covid Grants	16335.21	16335.21	11334	11334
Donations	66.33	66.33	1513	1513
	<u>16401.54</u>	<u>16401.54</u>	<u>12847</u>	<u>12847</u>
Activities				
Explorer Camps & Activities	0	0	0	0
Highcliffe Camps & Activities	2116.95	2116.95	2020.67	2020.67
	<u>2116.95</u>	<u>2116.95</u>	<u>2020.67</u>	<u>2020.67</u>
Fund Raising				
Plant Sales			9761.16	9761.16
Fundraising Other				
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9761.16</u>	<u>9761.16</u>
Other Income				
Loans	500	500	0	0
Gift Aid	3448.9	3448.9	3263.1	3263.1
Uniform sales	792.18	792.18	323.5	323.5
	<u>4741.08</u>	<u>4741.08</u>	<u>3586.6</u>	<u>3586.6</u>
Total receipts for the year	<u>37924.57</u>	<u>32849.32</u>	<u>45296.68</u>	<u>42461.68</u>

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
 Receipts for year ending
 31st December 2021

	A	B	C	D
	2021	2021	2020	2020
PAYMENTS				
Premises				
Landlord	0	0	0	0
Nyeri rent to group	300	300	600	600
Hall running costs				
Rates	37.15	37.15	57	57
Electricity	927.31	927.31	987.9	987.9
Bin collection	464.11	464.11	146.32	146.32
Broadband	211.2	211.2		
Building Insurance	1953.92	1953.92	2481.21	2481.21
Contents insurance	121	121		
Non Member Insuranc	42	42		
Cameras CCTV	154.76	154.76	69.94	69.94
Maintenance	773.84	773.84	2161.74	2161.74
	4985.29	4985.29	6504.11	6504.11
Activities				
Explorer Camps & Events			362.45	362.45
Highcliffe Camps & Events	1674.38	1674.38	3828.18	3828.18
Activities Nyeri	1437.62	1437.62		
Activity Highcliffe	3574.46	3574.46		
Car Project	1169.68	1169.68	453.85	453.85
	7856.14	7856.14	4644.48	4644.48
Fundraising				
Plant Sales			5102.24	5102.24
	0	0	5102.24	5102.24
Administration Expenses				
Printing, Postage & Stationery			114.71	114.71
Cleaning			607.82	607.82
1st aid & supplies			0	0
Trophies & Engraving	650.63	650.63	756.94	756.94
online scout manager	815.3	815.3	618.07	618.07
Website and internet			201.52	201.52
Go cardless			234.88	234.88
Paypal fees			54.89	54.89
Bank charge	576	576	462.8	462.8
Solicitors			0	0
Membership Fee Refund	45	45	60	60
Capitation	5075.25			
	7162.18	2086.93	3111.63	3111.63
Equipment				
Explorer Equipment				
Highcliffe Equipment	4976.72	4976.72	6152.09	6152.09
	4976.72	4976.72	6152.09	6152.09
Other Expenses				
Training	185	185	18.49	18.49
Motor	1193.43	1193.43	1042.96	1042.96
Gifts	130	130		
sundry	484.14	484.14	158	158
Covid Cost	54.15	54.15	213.55	213.55
Over payment Errors	-424.26	-424.26	424.26	424.26
Section Loan	500	500		
Hardship funding	1000	1000	0	0
Donations				
	3122.46	3122.46	1857.26	1857.26
Badges, Woggles and Scarves				
Badges and Scarves	1095.2	1095.2	419.95	419.95
Uniform	2091.2	2091.2	977.73	977.73
	3186.4	3186.4	1397.68	1397.68
Payemnts For The Year	31289.19	26213.94	28769.49	28769.49

Receipts & Payments of Accounts
Summary for the year ending
31st December 2021

	2021	2021	2020	2020
	A	B	C	D
Total Income (less capitation)	37924.57	32849.32	45296.68	42461.68
Total Payments (exc capitation)	31289.19	26213.94	28769.49	28769.49
Net Receipts (Payments) for the year	6635.38	6635.38	16527.19	16527.19
Cash and Bank Balances brought forward	27159.62	27159.62	16767.43	16767.43
Cash and Bank Balances carried forward	<u>33795</u>	<u>33795</u>	<u>33294.62</u>	<u>33294.62</u>

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at
31st December 2021

CURRENT ASSETS (BANK)

CAF Group	2491.76	2491.76	1820.97	1820.97
CAF Nyeri	295.35	295.35	3046.22	3046.22
CAF Scouts	239.73	239.73	575.49	575.49
CAF Cubs	1000.63	1000.63	490.9	490.9
CAF Beavers	127.32	127.32	219.83	219.83
Paypal Group	175.36	175.36	0	0
	<u>4330.15</u>	<u>4330.15</u>	<u>6153.41</u>	<u>6153.41</u>

CAF savings fundraising 46

	<u>28789.57</u>	<u>28789.57</u>	<u>20619.42</u>	<u>20619.42</u>
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CASH IN HAND (PETTY CASH)

Group	654.56	654.56	386.79	386.79
Explorer	0	0	0	0
Scout	20.7	20.7	0	0
Cub	0	0	0	0
Beaver	0	0	0	0
plantsale	0	0	0	0
	<u>675.26</u>	<u>675.26</u>	<u>386.79</u>	<u>386.79</u>

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	3015	3015	3015	3015
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Totals Cash Assets for year ending

	<u>36809.98</u>	<u>36809.98</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>30174.62</u>
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FIXED ASSETS

Equipments Assesst for insurance purpose	31132	31132	31132	31132
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Total Assets

	<u>67941.98</u>	<u>67941.98</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>61306.62</u>
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Current Liabilities

	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
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Total Assets

	<u>67941.98</u>	<u>67941.98</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>61306.62</u>
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 21

**Charity no
(if any)**

302216

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete [] if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: Nspengelly

Date: 16/05/2022

Name: Nikki Pengelly

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body**

IAB

(if any):

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Accounts for Year End 2022


Approved by the Independent Examiner

Nickki Pengelley

Date 16th May 2022

Approved by the committee and signed by the

Group Scout Leader


J Langdown
Date


17-05-2022

Group Scout Leader


D. DREB

Date 17/5/2022

Chair Person


P. STEVENS

Date 17/5/22

Scouts
Francois Seal Most improved Skills
Amelia Stevens Patrol Leader Award
Sam Wall Scout of the Year

Nyeri
Mitch Explorer of the Year Award

Group Scout Leader Awards
Emma Roberts Young Leaders Award
Jim Grant Ron Mason Award

The GSL gave cards and vouchers to Ian Smewing and Andy Hewitt, who are unfortunately departing our group, thanking them for their long service and dedication to Highcliffe Scouts.

Esther, Maya, Dominic, Francois, Alex, Jacob, Emily and Stephanie (Parent Helper) were thanked for their exceptional actions one evening when one of the scouts underwent a medical emergency whilst away from the hut. They helped to administer first aid, get leaders, keep the casualty calm and help direct the Ambulance Crew to the location of the incident. These awards are for First Aid Merit for their actions that evening.

10. Julie Julie Invited Juliet Gregson the District Commissioner to speak.

Juliet commended Highcliffe for representation at Gangshow and scouting prior to the pandemic. She also said that when the Pandemic came along Highcliffe adapted immediately to move to Zoom so as to not stop delivering a fun programme to the young people as the pandemic occurred. Highcliffe were one of the first groups in district to go back to face to face when the rules permitted and kept going as a group to fully engage the young people. Juliet thanked all the leaders for doing this and also to Julie and Andy for creating the Risk assessments to enable scouting to continue in Highcliffe especially as these Risk Assessments formed a basis for the whole District to move forward. Juliet also thanked the YP and parents for playing their parts in keeping scouting going.

Juliet also appealed for more help within the group in any way, whether that is as a leader, exec member or even coming to a camp to cook a meal. Even 2 or 3 hours a year make a difference.

Juliet made the following awards to leaders in the group

5 year award - Claire Toop
Wood Badge - Pip Newman

11. Julie Julie asked all those involved in running the scout group so that they could be thanked for all the work they had done during the year. Phil also thanked the leaders and committee members for all they had done during a difficult year.

Pip Newman stepped forwards to thank Julie for everything she does behind the scenes and for the many hours she spends each week helping the group.

Trustee's Annual Report For period of

Start Date End Date

Charity Name

Registered Charity Number

Charity Registered Address

Trustees

Name	Role	Date of appointment
Courtney Fereday	Trustee	01 January 2020
Joanne Jarvis	Trustee	29 April 2022
Sarah Carter	Trustee	01 December 2020
Julie Langdown	Trustee	
Vincent Elsey	Trustee	01 January 2020
Debbie Darby	Trustee	01 December 2020
Pip Newman	Trustee	20 March 2014
Philip Stevens	Chair	19 May 2017
Jim Grant	Trustee	01 January 2020

Structure

Highcliffe Scout group is 1 of 8 groups that belong to the district of Christchurch.

The 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group provides Scouting to young people aged between 6 and 18 years of age. Activities takes place from the headquarters in Chewton Common Road Highcliffe. Young people take part in activities based on the section they belong to and their age. The Group currently have 4 sections within the Group 1 Beaver Colony, 2 Cub Packs, 1 Scout Troop. The group are also in partnership with the District Explorer unit (Nyeri).

Achievements

The leaders were exceptional in providing scouting through out what has been a very difficult period. The group is growing whilst also being cautious.

Objectives

Our main objectives moving forward are to recruit more volunteers. The sections are growing but whilst we keep to a relative number of members per section we are always in need of more volunteers.

We would like to improve the relationship between the local community and aim to incorporate more opportunities to work with the community.

The sections are proactive and often organise beach litter picks. We have now purchased our own litter kit which we also loan to other groups.

Finance

As per the groups accounts Highcliffe scout group are in a good financial position.

We have received a number of government covid grants that are there to help with additional covid costs both during the pandemic and moving forward.

The group have purchased the necessary equipment to help us comply with the covid safety measures. Any funds that remain once we return to normal life will be used for the possible rebuild of a new hut.

The group were able to help support other groups in our district. The trustees voted to deposit £1000 towards a hardship fund to help support other groups in our district who have not received the government covid grants.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees annual report as above

Signed on Behalf of the trustees

Group Scout Leader



2021 Started online for the Beavers, with the country still in lock-down. We had lost a couple of Beavers who could just not take to online Scouting and we kept moving Beavers up to Cubs. We had taken the decision during lock-down to not invite any new Beavers to join the group unless they were siblings as most found the online experience tough as it was, let alone being new. A notable online evening that everyone enjoyed was pancake day.

By the time we came out of lock-down and we were allowed face to face meetings - albeit outdoors - our numbers have been severely depleted, and we had a very young pack too. We tailored our program around outdoor activities, which are the more traditional Scouting skills.

Things picked up from Spring, the weather held and we were able to return to some sense of normality leading up to the Summer holidays. We were also able to slowly build up our numbers, and by the time we returned after summer we were at $\frac{3}{4}$ capacity. Once again, as restrictions were lifted we were able to get the Beavers into the hut and start doing more craft based badges, which coincided with the weather and a lack of light.

In autumn we had a Halloween camp at Braggers Wood, and it was well attended by 95% of our Beavers, with parents hailing it a huge success - finally we were getting back to normal. The last part of the year felt normal as we'd all slipped into the new normal of social distancing and mask wearing. The Beavers were amazing at adapting to the 'new' way of doing things, and we were able to finish our year off with our traditional trip to Snowtrax.

2021, is a year none of the Leaders would like to repeat, online Scouting was hard and certainly took its toll, but the gloom has lifted!



We began this year of Cubs with Zoom meetings, as unfortunately we experienced another national lockdown which closed schools in January 2021. However, we made our Zoom meetings as exciting as possible, we covered some interesting topics, gained some badges, and had some fun including an online Taekwondo session, and an Astronomy evening with Mark Thompson.

Luckily for all we were able to return to face-to-face meetings after the Easter holidays, and both Cub packs welcomed new Cubs from Beavers. We maximised our time outdoors and enjoyed the lighter evenings, had fun with Beach clean, Mini Hike, fire lighting, backwoods cooking, and made Smores of course! Added to this, we also had our first District event in May with a District Cub Fun Day at Braggers Wood with lots of activities including Archery, Boldering, & Orienteering.

We started back in September still trying to utilise the lighter evenings. We had a fun evening Pizza making and using the Pizza oven at Braggers Wood. Both packs invested some of their Cubs whilst at Braggers, arranged new sixes, and awarded the necessary stripes. Another highlight of the term was a visit from the SAS who came and helped the Cubs achieve their woodwork badge making bird feeders and Memo boards. Also, in September some of our Cubs took part in the District Quiz, and we are proud to report that our Highcliffe team won!! Well done to the team members!! We were also able to hold our first camp (following Lockdowns) in November at Braggers Wood, the theme was Space and we had lots of fun especially making and setting off rockets! Also, in November we had a District Chief Scout Silver Awards Evening, which was a first for quite some time due to COVID and lastly, we finished off the year with Christmas parties for both packs.

We have already had lots of fun so far this year, and many activities and adventures planned for the coming terms.



Last year started just as the previous one had ended, so Spring term was mostly spent in Lockdown and still scouting over Zoom.

This time we decided to use some excellent third party providers who taught us Taekwondo, Stargazing and how to serve up a delicious Mother's Day Dinner and Dessert interspersed with the usual online quizzes, games and badge work.

We started off the Summer term returning Face 2 Face on St Georges Day, by reaffirming our Scout promise at the Cliffhanger after a successful evening's Beach clean.

With the added daylight, this term had lots of hikes including learning about the Solar System in scale, Geocaching, Crabbing at the Quay and of course Navigation.

In between these we went back to key Practical Skills such as Knife Safety, Firelighting and Shelters along with a fun Saturday putting up tents and backwoods cooking on the fire pits.

The summer was topped off by a fun but exhausting evening at the New Forest Water Park.

Autumn term's activities included learning about First Aid, International and World challenge topics plus Warhammer model making. We also had Wide games, Halloween hike and Bonfire Night campfire at Braggers.

To finish off the year we held a Xmas movie night in the hut.

The start of this year has seen a successful return to our 1st real camp in 2 years in the lodges at Braggers, Ice Skating and the reintroduction of District events with teams enjoying themselves in both the Night Hike and the Football competition so far.

Throughout the year our numbers have remained healthy with a troop of between 32-36 Scouts.



EXPLORERS

Like other sections Nyeri have had a changeable and challenging 2021 with the changing of Covid regulations and making keeping our young people safe a priority. There were some zoom meetings but we managed to meet face to face more and more as the year went on.

We have managed to retain our leadership team of Rob Neal, Richard Darby, Debbie Darby and Phil Stevens with ad-hoc support from Julie Langdown and this appears to be working well as we all have a varied experience and knowledge base.

Along with the scouting staples such as bivouac making, knots, lashings, badges, pioneering and, of course, fire building we have done electronics where the young people make their own alarms, pyrography and taskmaster. We ended the year attempting to make gingerbread houses, some were successful, some not so successful.

We have also managed to have some fun. The young people have been rifle shooting at Bragger's Wood, crabbing at Mudeford, Dinosaur Mini Golf and our, now annual, sand castle building competition.

Some of the explorers have been helping renovate Ian the Ford Escort, who was initially bought to teach the young people the basics of looking after a car. However, due to Covid, Ian sat in the garage and suffered for it. We were fortunate enough to have some friends of a leader come down over two weekends and weld and help improve Ian and he is now in a position where he can be passed back to the young people to carry on their good work. In the coming year we are hoping to put Ian through his MOT and use him to make funds for Highcliffe Scout Group with various events but ultimately ending in a raffle.

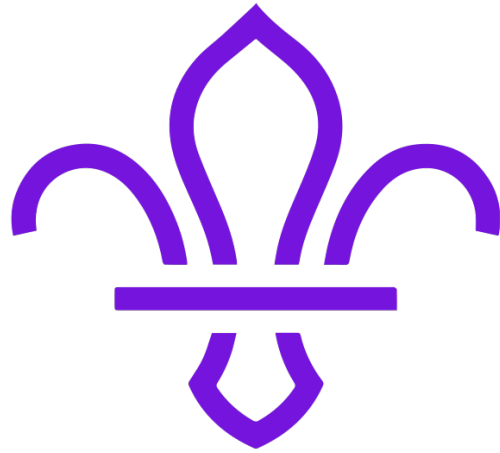
We have had some explorers sign up for the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme which is being facilitated by the district team who are both very enthusiastic and experienced.

As a team we are looking forward to continuing through 2022, the explorers are now beginning to write their own programmes and helping with the planning of evenings and activities which, hopefully, will give them skills for the future!

5TH CHRISTCHURCH (HIGHCLIFFE) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 302216

Accounts



Scouts

**5th Christchurch
(Highcliffe)
Scout Group**

**Annual General
Meeting
For year End 2020**

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 11/06/2020

Meeting held via ZOOM video link at 19:00

Present: Julie Langdown (Group Scout Leader), Phil Stevens (Chairperson), Graham Budd (Secretary), Sarah Carter (Treasurer), Juliet Gregson (District Commissioner), Sue Jones (ADC Beavers), Andy Hewitt (SL/AGSL), Courtney Fereday (CSL), Pip Newman (ACSL), Jim Grant (ASL), Ian Smewing (ASL), Vince Elsey (ABSL), Victoria Tyne, Keryn Hallett, Stephanie Ashdown, Catherine Stevens, Helen Roberts, Gail Grant (ACL), Stephanie Seal, Elliott Ray (Youth Commissioner), Simon Roche (ASL)

The Agenda had been circulated via email to parents and supporters in advance of the AGM.

1. Welcome and Introduction

Group Scout Leader (GSL) Julie Langdown introduced herself and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies: Jackie Dawson, Sue Capernhurst

3. Presentation of Section and Group Awards

Normally presented at the end of the meeting. Due to the format of the meeting it had been decided to move the presentations to item 3 on the agenda.

Beaver Colony Awards

Vincent Elsey Assistant Beaver Scout Leader, read out the citations for each recipient of the Beaver Colony awards.

kindest Beaver Scout: Logan Tuckey

Most helpful Beaver Scout: Caisey

Beaver Scout of the Year: Dominic Tyne

Cub Pack Awards

Courtney Fereday Cub Scout Leader (Wolves Pack), read out the citations for each recipient of the Cub Pack awards. Courtney explained that there would be three awards for Tigers Pack, but only one for Wolves Pack as it had only been formed in October 2019.

Tigers Pack
Do Your Best Award: Keira Tuckey
Team Player Award: Sebastian Mears
Cub Scout of the Year: Emily Grant

Wolves Pack
Cub Scout of the Year: Daniel Tomkinson

Scout Troop Awards

Andy Hewitt Scout Leader, read out citations for each recipient of the Scout Troop awards.

Most Improved Scout: Freya Grindrod
Scout of the Year: Rebecca Stevens
Patrol Leader of the Year: Mathew Roche

Young Leader Award

The GSL, read out the citation for the recipient of the Group Young Leader Award.

Young Leader of the Year: Molly Hindell

Christchurch (Nyeri) Explorer Scout Unit Award

The GSL (on behalf of the Explorer Scout Leader), read out the citation for the recipient of the Explorer Scout of the Year Award.

Explorer Scout of the Year: Lucas McCammon

Exceptional Service Award (awarded to any member of the Scout Group giving exceptional service)

The GSL read out the citation for the recipients of the Exceptional Service Award. Both recipients had put in exceptional time and effort into organising the Group's main fund-raising event, the annual plant sale, held in very difficult circumstances this year.

Plant Sale Committee members: Victoria Tyne and Marion Birtles

The Rob Mason Award (awarded to any member of the Scout Group doing something a little bit extra for the Group)

The GSL read out the citation for the recipient of the Rob Mason Award.

Group Secretary: Graham Budd

4. Receipt and Approval of the minutes of the 2019 AGM

The minutes of the 2019 AGM had been circulated via email to parents and supporters in advance of the AGM.

The approval of the minutes of the 2019 AGM were approved.
proposed by Stephanie Ashdown.
seconded by Sarah Carter.

5. Treasurer's Report

The accounts for the year ending December 2019 had been circulated via email to parents and supporters in advance of the AGM.

The GSL delivered the treasurers report.

There were no questions asked regarding the accounts for 2019.

The Annual reports and Accounts for year ending 2019 were approved.
Proposed by Catherine Stevens
Seconded by Vince Elsey

6. Approval of the Annual reports and Accounts for year ending 2019

The Annual reports and Accounts for year ending December 2019 were approved.
Proposed by Catherine Stevens
Seconded by Vince Elsey

7. Approval of Group Chairperson

The GSL informed the meeting that the current chairperson was willing to stand for another year.

The appointment of chairperson was approved.
proposed by Sarah Carter
seconded by Stephanie Ashdown

8. Approval of the Appointments of Secretary, Treasurer and Independent Examiner

The Chairman, Phil Stevens proposed the following appointments for the coming year:

Secretary: Graham Budd
Treasurer: Sarah Carter
Independent Examiner: Jane Fereday

The appointments were approved en bloc
proposed by Helen Roberts
seconded by Stephanie Seal

9. Approval of the Elected Members of the Group Executive

The Chairman, Phil Stevens proposed the following appointments as elected members of the Group Executive:
Pip Newman, Jim Grant, Vincent Elsey, Susie Capnerhurst, Helen Roberts, Janine Mears, Wade Hindell, Emma Hindell

The appointments were approved en bloc
proposed by Gail Grant
seconded by Keryn Hallett

10. Honorary President Nick Geary

The GSL advised the meeting that Nick Geary had not confirmed his willingness to continue as Honorary President at the present time.

11. Year Reviews by Section

The annual section reviews for 2019 had been circulated via email to parents and supporters in advance of the AGM.

12. District Commissioner

The GSL invited the Juliet Gregson DC to speak.

Juliet said that she was disappointed not to have been able to have come to the Highcliffe HQ for the AGM where she had spent 10 years as Cub Leader. However she was pleased that the Group was only the second Group in the District to hold an online AGM. Juliet was full of praise for the Group leadership team pulling together

and growing the Group. In particular she was delighted that the Group had opened a second Cub Pack in the autumn, which had eased the waiting list of those waiting to join Scouting. Juliet thanked all those involved in making this happen. Juliet also stated that she was pleased to see that all the sections were going from strength to strength in a growing Group.

In the recent challenging times during the Covid-19 crisis Juliet was delighted in the way the Group had responded by adapting to the times, with all sections offering Home Scouting. She was pleased that young people had been able to keep in touch and achieve badges by taking part in activities such as camping in gardens and cooking at home. Juliet thanked everyone involved in the Group.

Closing

The GSL thanked everyone for joining the AGM on the video link.

The meeting was at 7:45.

Graham Budd Group Secretary

13/06/2020

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Receipts & Payments Account for the year ending
31st December 2020

	2020	2019
RECEIPTS		
Subscriptions		
Membership Fees Nyeri Explorers	2835	2164
Membership Fees Highcliffe Scout Group	18875	14325
Less capitaton	-5468.75	-4200
	16241.25	12289
Investment Income		
Bank Interest	0	0
	0	0
INCOME		
Hire of Scout Hut	240	120
Nyeri	600	600
	840	720
Grants and Donations		
Covid Grants	11334	
Donations	1513	4016.05
	12847	4016.05
Activities		
Explorer Camps & Activities		
Camps & Activities	2020.67	12058.4
	2020.67	12058.4
Fund Raising		
Plant Sales	9761.16	12438.28
Fundraising Other		
	9761.16	12438.28
Other Income		
Loans	0	0
Gift Aid	3263.1	4772.46
Uniform sales	323.5	232
	3586.6	5004.46
Total receipts for the year	45296.68	46526.19

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Receipts & Payments Account for the year ending
31st December 2020

	2020	2019
PAYMENTS		
Premises		
Landlord	0	0
Nyeri	600	600
Rates	57	203.28
Electricity	987.9	1194.59
Maintenance	2161.74	1678.26
Bin collection	146.32	473.57
Insurance	2481.21	2448.84
Cameras CCTV	69.94	0
	6504.11	6598.54
Activities		
Explorer Camps & Events	816.3	1552.32
Group Events	3828.18	14364.89
	4644.48	15917.21
Fundraising		
Plant Sales	5102.24	6930.32
	5102.24	6930.32
Administration Expenses		
Printing, Postage & Stationery	114.71	151.1
Cleaning	607.82	429.92
1st aid & supplies	0	0
Trophies & Engraving	756.94	216.48
Online Scout Manager	618.07	685.9
Website and Internet	201.52	61.19
Go Cardless	234.88	259.22
Paypal fees	54.89	44.09
Bank charge	462.8	365
Solicitor	0	1800
MemberShip Fees	60	0
	3111.63	4012.9
Equipment		
Explorer Equipment		0
Highcliffe Equipment	6152.09	8614.35
	6152.09	8614.35
Other Expenses		
Training	18.49	100
Motor	1042.96	1142.96
Gifts /sundry	158	236
Hardship funding	0	0
Donations	0	0
Covid Cost	213.55	0
Over payment Errors	424.26	0
	1857.26	1478.96
Badges, Scarves and Uniforms		
Explorer badges & uniforms	0	0
Badges	419.95	634.1
Woggles	0	0
Scarves	0	0
Uniforms	977.73	538.62
	1397.68	1172.72
Payments For the Year	28769.49	44725

Receipts & Payments of Accounts
Summary for the year ending 31st December
31st December 2020

	2020	2019
Total receipts for the year	45296.68	46526.19
Total Payments for the year	28769.49	44725
Net Receipts (Payments) for the year	16527.19	1801.19
Cash and Bank Balances brought forward	16767.43	14966.24
Cash and Bank Balances carried forward	<u>33294.62</u>	<u>16767.43</u>

5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group
Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at
31st December 2020

	2020	2019
FIXED ASSETS Vehicle - Van FG11 XBE 3300.00 (Depreciation)	3015	3300
CURRENT ASSETS (BANK)		
CAF Group	1820.97	1924.24
CAF Explorer	3046.22	2168.75
CAF Scouts	575.49	688.8
CAF Cubs	490.9	1310.55
CAF Beavers	219.83	570.79
Paypal Group	0	0
	<u>6153.41</u>	<u>6663.13</u>
CAF savings fundraising 46	20,619.42	6079.54
CASH IN HAND (PETTY CASH)		
Group	386.79	160.23
Explorer	0	95.34
Scout	0	201.18
Cub	0	199.28
Beaver	0	68.73
Plant Sale	0	0
	<u>386.79</u>	<u>724.76</u>
Totals for the year ending	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
District Capitation		0
		<u>0</u>
	<u>30174.62</u>	<u>16767.43</u>
NON-MONETARY ASSETS		
Equipment valuation for insurance purposes	31132	31132
	<u>31132</u>	<u>31132</u>



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2020

Charity no (if any)

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: Nicola Pengelly

Date: 23/5/21

Name: Nicola Pengelly

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

IAB.

Address:

23 forest way
Christchurch.
BH23 4PY.

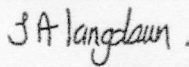
The above Account and accompanying Statement of Assets and Liabilities were approved by the Trustees on and signed on their behalf by:

Group Treasurer
Sarah Carter
Date :



Group Scout Leader
J Langdown
Date :

14/9/2021



Chair Person
Phil Stevens
Date :

11/10/2021



Your valuation

£3,015

Assumptions & add damage for an accurate valuation

- ✓ Sale may be subject to a transaction fee.*
- ✓ We will inspect your vehicle. Our price offer may change if we think it is affected by the vehicle's condition or history.
- ✓ Your valuation is guaranteed for 4 days only.

Assumptions we've made about your vehicle:

- ✓ It has no damage, including interior or mechanical.
- ✓ It isn't a non runner.
- ✓ It has 6+ months MOT left.
- ✓ It hasn't ever been subject to an insurance write off or been accident damaged.
- ✓ It has two sets of keys.

Before booking an appointment, check all assumptions are correct and add any vehicle damage, to ensure you obtain an accurate price.

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Trustee's Annual Report For period of

Start Date End Date

Charity Name

Registered Charity Number

Charity Registered Address

Trustees

Name	Role	Date of appointment
Courtney Fereday	Trustee	01 January 2020
Helen Roberts	Trustee	01 May 2018
Sarah Carter	Trustee	01 December 2020
Julie Langdown	Trustee	
Vincent Elsey	Trustee	01 January 2020
Debbie Darby	Trustee	01 December 2020
Pip Newman	Trustee	20 March 2014
Philip Stevens	Chair	19 May 2017
Jim Grant	Trustee	01 January 2020

Structure

Highcliffe Scout group is 1 of 8 groups that belong to the district of Christchurch.

The 5th Christchurch (Highcliffe) Scout Group provides Scouting to young people aged between 6 and 18 years of age. Activities takes place from the headquarters in Chewton Common Road Highcliffe. Young people take part in activities based on the section they belong to and their age. The Group currently have 4 sections within the Group 1 Beaver Colony, 2 Cub Packs, 1 Scout Troop. The group are also in partnership with the District Explorer unit (Nyeri).

Achievements

The best achievement for the past year was to survive through covid with as little as possible loss of volunteer's and members.

The leaders were exceptional in providing scouting through out what has been a very difficult period. The group is growing whilst also being cautious.

Objectives

Our main objectives moving forward are to recruit more volunteers. The sections are growing but whilst we keep to a relative number of members per section we are always in need of more volunteers.

We would like to improve the relationship between the local community and aim to incorporate more opportunities to work with the community.

The sections are proactive and often organise beach litter picks. We have now purchased our own litter kit which we also loan to other groups.

Finance

As per the groups accounts Highcliffe scout group are in a good financial position.

We have received a number of government covid grants that are there to help with additional covid costs both during the pandemic and moving forward.

The group have purchased the necessary equipment to help us comply with the covid safety measures. Any funds that remain once we return to normal life will be used for the possible rebuild of a new hut.

The group were able to help support other groups in our district. The trustees voted to deposit £1000 towards a hardship fund to help support other groups in our district who have not received the government covid grants.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees annual report as above

Signed on Behalf of the trustees

Group Scout Leader

J A Langdon



5th Christchurch Highcliffe Scout Group

This year has been a tough year for Highcliffe Scout group, with zoom meetings and lockdowns. But we did not let that stop us.

Our leaders got straight to work, and we got zoom meetings up and running as soon as we went into our first lockdown.

All sections had a great attendance for the zoom meetings with many activities across all sections. Some of the activities they ran were Task master, Quizzes, Scavenger hunts, Problem solving, Escape rooms. All our members seemed to adapt very well, and the feedback form parents was very encouraging, and they appreciated some form of normal routine for the members. We also implemented the badges at home, and this allowed members to upload things they had completed at home to the leaders so we could still work on badges. All our members during the summer took part in the Camps at home and we have a couple of scouts reach 100 nights away. They had to complete 1 night under canvas, 1 scout activity and cook a meal.

We celebrated St Georges day at home, and Highcliffe Scout Group had a good turnout of members and leaders who all took part in the clapping on the doorstep to celebrate.

During the summer we returned back to some sort of normality with face-to-face meetings, and I think all the members and leaders were relieved to be outdoors and back to basic scouting even though we needed to implement the social distancing. The members adapted very well to distancing.

Highcliffe Scout Group have awarded in this last year,
2 Chief Scout Gold Awards (more to come on catch up)
7 Chief Scout Silver Awards
4 Chief Scout Bronze awards

The group also handed out a whopping 375 badges across all 5 sections.

We are back to some form of normality, and it is great to see all the members back to doing what we do best. Scouting Outdoors.

I would like to say a huge thank you to all the Highcliffe team.

Keryn for posting the badges

The committee for keeping the back office running via zoom

The Young Leaders, for being there to support the leaders and the members

And a HUGE thank you to all the leaders. You have all been amazing during what has been a very exceptional year. You kept the meetings going even when we had work from home, School from home, and anything else that was thrown your way.

You are all an exceptional Team and I enjoy working with you all.

Julie Langdown

Group Scout Leader

5th Christchurch Highcliffe Scout Group.

BEAVERS

Annual Report 2020

Like most people it was a year of two halves for the Beavers, we started the year in the hut as normal with a near full complement of Beavers. We kicked off the year with a couple of weeks of first aid, then Bird feeders followed by the Hobby badge. It was at this point we went into lock-down and entered the world of zoom.

To be honest, it was hard trying to keep the Beaver engaged each week. I am not sure who's decision it was, but it was decided to have online meeting every two weeks, and it was so much easier having fortnightly meetings. We started the zoom sessions with lots of games, but as we went on, we found that the Beavers were more engaged when we did craft-based activities, cooking was a big hit.

In addition to what was being done online, many of our older Beavers worked towards completing other badges enroute to their bronze award.

A lot of our Beavers swam up to cubs during lockdown and we only welcomed two new members during lockdown, which was very brave of them.

After summer we were able to return to Face2Face, but still had to be outdoors. We welcomed a few new Beavers, but strategically kept our numbers low to fall into the bubble guidelines. (under 16)

Autumn started with a beach clean / litter pick, then a hike, outdoor cooking, putting up tents.. as we tried to maximise the light and weather. We celebrated Halloween and Mother's day, but were not able to pack in any overnight activities. We finished the year with a virtual Panto for Christmas.

All in all it was an odd year to say the least, but we know from parents that our efforts were appreciated by the Beavers, and that's why we do it....



Cubs AGM Report 2020

We began this year of Cubs with Tigers (Tuesday) and Wolves (Wednesday) having good numbers in both packs.

Little did we know at that time, the running of a normal programme and covering badges and activities would change so much.

We started the year with both packs coming together for a Scientist Sleepover at the hut in January. In February the Diamond Anniversary District Gang Show was very well supported with Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and Leaders from Highcliffe, making up a quarter of the cast. With a national lockdown looming the annual District Hike in March was our last face 2 face for a while.

With leaders across the sections talking about a way forward we kicked off the summer term via the internet with our very first Zoom meeting.

Zoom meetings were interesting and we were able to cover some different activities during this time. Quizzes and scavenger hunts were well received, and the Cubs enjoyed themed Kahoots we put together.

Many cubs camped at home, creating their own campsite, cooking a meal, and taking part in a scout related activity at home.

September saw a return to face-to-face meetings; we welcomed some new Cubs up from Beavers and were able to resume meetings with a new normal. We maximised our time outdoors, using the school playing field for extra space. Unfortunately, as the virus surged by November, we were forced back to Zoom meetings. Secretly, I think some were pleased as it WAS getting very cold outside!

By now Facebook was screaming with Scout Leaders from all around the world posting and sharing ideas for virtual meeting. We learnt new ways to keep the Cubs interest and enjoyed a social distancing pantomime that someone had made in their garden.

We are looking forward to our first camp since Lockdown next month, and with many activities and adventures planned for the coming weeks and terms.



Section Report 2020 – 2021

Well, what can we say, as you all know, last year was unlike any other year!

The year started as normal in January with the Troop of just over 40 scouts attending the regular weekly meetings, covering the usual badge work and activities.

February saw 34 Scouts attending a Hut based camp with an Astro theme and a post Xmas trip to the Ice rink at the BIC. At the Regent Centre, a large number of Highcliffe Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, and Leaders performed along with other groups, to the public in the excellent Diamond Anniversary District Gang Show.

As the month of March progressed, we knew that something called COVID-19 was beginning to feature more in conversations in the UK but such was the ferocity it evolved, little did we know at the time of a navigation hike in Holmsley, that it would be our last face to face meeting for almost 6 months!

After taking stock over Easter of how we could continue to deliver Scouting without being able to hold normal meetings, April's word of the month (and as it turned out, word of the year) was one that before last year most people had never heard of.....

ZOOM!

As the concept was completely new to us old technophobes and with it harder to plan, we held meetings online every 2 weeks for the rest of the summer term.

It was however during this time that the true spirit of Scouting prevailed, and I think all of the Leaders will agree, that it is only through the help of the UK, and in some cases global, online community of leaders posting ideas and presentations in Facebook groups such as the "Virtual Scout Group" that inspired and helped us greatly during that time.

We did activities for VE Day, held quizzes via PowerPoints and Kahoot!, left houses turned upside down with scavenger hunts and tried Virtual Escape Rooms. We did Baking with excellent Nailed It challenge entries and learnt how to Drum simple beats. When restrictions eased a bit, we even managed a physical Scavenger Hunt outside individually as family units with the WhatsApp group going crazy with photos!

After a lot of hard work preparing COVID Risk Assessments from Andy, Julie and Phil during the summer break, Sept started with what we all been waiting so long for...a return to Face to Face Scouting. We hiked, learnt knots and lashings, cooked over open fires, and generally had fun together again.

Unfortunately, this only lasted for the first half of Autumn term as Nov bought Lockdown 2.

Back to Zoom with a repeat of similar activities that were successful first time around.

We made the decision to keep with Zoom during the uncertainty of what Dec would bring and as you well know, the continual spread of the pandemic over Xmas meant this was to be the way we continued into the New Year.

With Spring Term starting we decided to use some excellent third-party providers who taught us Taekwondo, Stargazing and how to serve up a delicious pre Mother's Day Dinner and Dessert.

After Easter, Face to Face Scouting again saw a very healthy troop of 37 Scouts return. We had lost a few members during Lockdowns but gained a few new cubs moving up as well.

We also lost 3 invaluable Leaders along the way and would like to thank Andy, Ian and Simon for the great time and effort they put in over the years to help make Highcliffe Scouts such a successful troop.



EXPLORERS

Nyeri Section Report 2020

The last 12 month period for Nyeri has been far from the norm – some would say challenging! The COVID-19 pandemic has somewhat limited what Nyeri could do and how activities were planned, but the leaders, and importantly the Explorers have remained committed, been resilient, and found new ways to continue to be involved and thrive in scouting.

The leadership team has remained stable in the last 12mths with Richard and Debbie Darby, Phil Stevens, Rob Neal, and Julie Langdown continuing to support the everyday running of the unit.

During the last 12 months we have regularly had 12-16 young people attending each meeting. By following the guidance provided by the Scout association, we have continued to meet virtually or in person weekly where possible. Zoom meetings in the early part of COVID-19 were focussed on bringing the unit together participating for quizzes, virtual navigation training/exercises and generally keeping in touch. As soon as restrictions were lifted from red to amber (meaning some form of face-to-face meetings were allowed with - social distancing and other measures in place), with the support of Julie Langdown and Highcliffe Scout Group, we were able to get back outside and do some adventurous activities in person. It was a pleasure (and a relief) to get back to face-to-face meetings. Nyeri made the most of this in the summer meeting multiple times in the forest for navigation, tracking and wide game activities. And at the beach for sandcastle building. We are now back to offering a business-as-usual programme for the unit.

Just before the March 2020 lockdown the Nyeri team took on a new Project. With the purchase of an old car. This project was intended to teach Nyeri Unit car mechanics and day to day maintenance of cars. Unfortunately, as you can guess this was put on hold during the pandemic and was left sitting in the garage at the scout hut for 18 Months.

Fast forward to 2021 and one of the key achievements in the last year or so is the progress made on our car project. Several explorers, with the assistance of Richard Darby and his team of mechanic friends have spent a couple of weekends restoring and modifying a Ford Escort. The Explorers have named the car Ian....

Moving forwards the group of Explorer's who are keen to work on the car will meet on weekends to start putting the car back together, this will include removing/filling dents in the bodywork, reconnecting the internal wiring, refitting the light clusters, reinstalling the seats, dashboard and internal panels and lining.

This project has given the explorers the opportunity to do something they would not necessarily have had the chance to do, and we are aware of at least one of them that is now exploring a career in mechanics/engineering as a result of this.

The leadership team would like to thank the Explorers for their continued commitment to Nyeri Explorer Scout unit. We look forward to what we hope will be a more 'normal' year of scouting and are excited to be able to run a well-balanced programme of fun and exciting activities.

Many thanks to the Leadership team for their perseverance and commitment through what has been one of the most extraordinary years in scouting.

Rob Neal, Assistance Explorer Leader, Nyeri ESU.